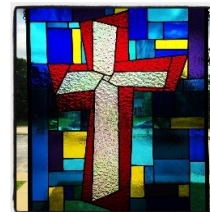


News of the Son

Trinity Lutheran Church — Columbia, MO



July
2019



As our call process progresses, I encourage you to continue to think about what it means to be a pastor. This month, I share the words below from an article entitled “What about Pastors” by Rev. Dr. A. L. Barry, a former president of the LCMS. At the end of this newsletter, you will find the ministry description that the Assembly of Voters adopted in May. As the next step in our process, you will also find a form you can use to submit a name to the call committee. Please continue to approach this Divine Call process with careful and prayerful consideration.

Your Servant in Christ,

Pastor Brian Thieme

Why does God give us pastors?

When we look at our lives and measure them according to the holiness and righteousness of the Lord God Almighty we are moved to say, “Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.” We receive forgiveness of sins, and become righteous before God, by grace, for Christ’s sake, through faith, when we believe that Christ lived, suffered, died and rose again for us, and that for His sake our sins are forgiven, and righteousness and eternal life are given to us.

But how do we receive this faith? In order to obtain such faith, God instituted the ministry of teaching the Gospel and administering the Sacraments. It is through the Word and Sacraments that the Holy Spirit produces faith, where and when it pleases Him, in those who hear the good news of Jesus’ death and resurrection for the forgiveness of sins. Pastors accompany us on our earthly pilgrimage. They serve us with Christ’s Word and Sacraments, through which the Holy Spirit gives us forgiveness, life and salvation.

Therefore, we believe, teach and confess that “when the called ministers of Christ deal with us by His divine command...this is just as valid and certain, even in heaven, as if Christ our dear Lord dealt with us Himself” (Small Catechism).

How does God give us pastors?

The pastoral office is a gift that God has given to the church, as Paul says, “When he ascended on high he gave gifts to men” (Eph. 4:8, 11-12). Paul enumerates pastors and teachers among the gifts belonging to the church, and he adds that they are given for the work of ministry and for building up the body of Christ. Therefore, the right of electing and ordaining ministers is a duty and responsibility of the church.

Through a congregation’s call, God places a man to be the shepherd of that congregation. “Our churches teach that nobody shall publicly preach or teach or administer the sacraments without a regular call” (Augsburg Confession, Article XIV). Only those who are called and ordained to the pastoral office may exercise it publicly. Although the Holy Scriptures make it clear that all the baptized are priests, called to offer God sacrifices of thanks and praise (1 Peter 2:9; Rev. 1:6; 5:10), it also teaches that in the church there is an office to teach, feed, guide and rule, which Christians, by virtue of their general calling as Christians, do not possess (1 Cor. 12:29; Rom. 10:15; 1 Tim. 5:17; James 3:1). While all Christians through Baptism are made part of God’s royal priesthood, not all Christians are ministers. When a man receives and accepts his first call to serve as a pastor, he is then ordained. Ordination is a confirmation of a man’s call into the ministry of the church and is the historic and apostolic rite by which, through Word and prayer, a man is set apart for service to Christ and His church as a pastor.

During his ordination, he is also installed into the pastoral office of the congregation that calls him. In the future, if he accepts other calls to serve, he will be installed, but not ordained again.

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

MIRACULOUS MISSION

Trinity's 2019 VBS

Tuesday, July 16 - Friday, July 19

Evenings 6:00 pm-8:00 pm

LIGHT SUPPERS SERVED EACH NIGHT FROM 5:30-6:00 P.M.

FRIDAY NIGHT IS **FAMILY FUN NIGHT!**

CLOSING SERVICE STARTS AT 5:30 P.M.

PLEASE PLAN TO ATTEND WITH YOUR CHILD.

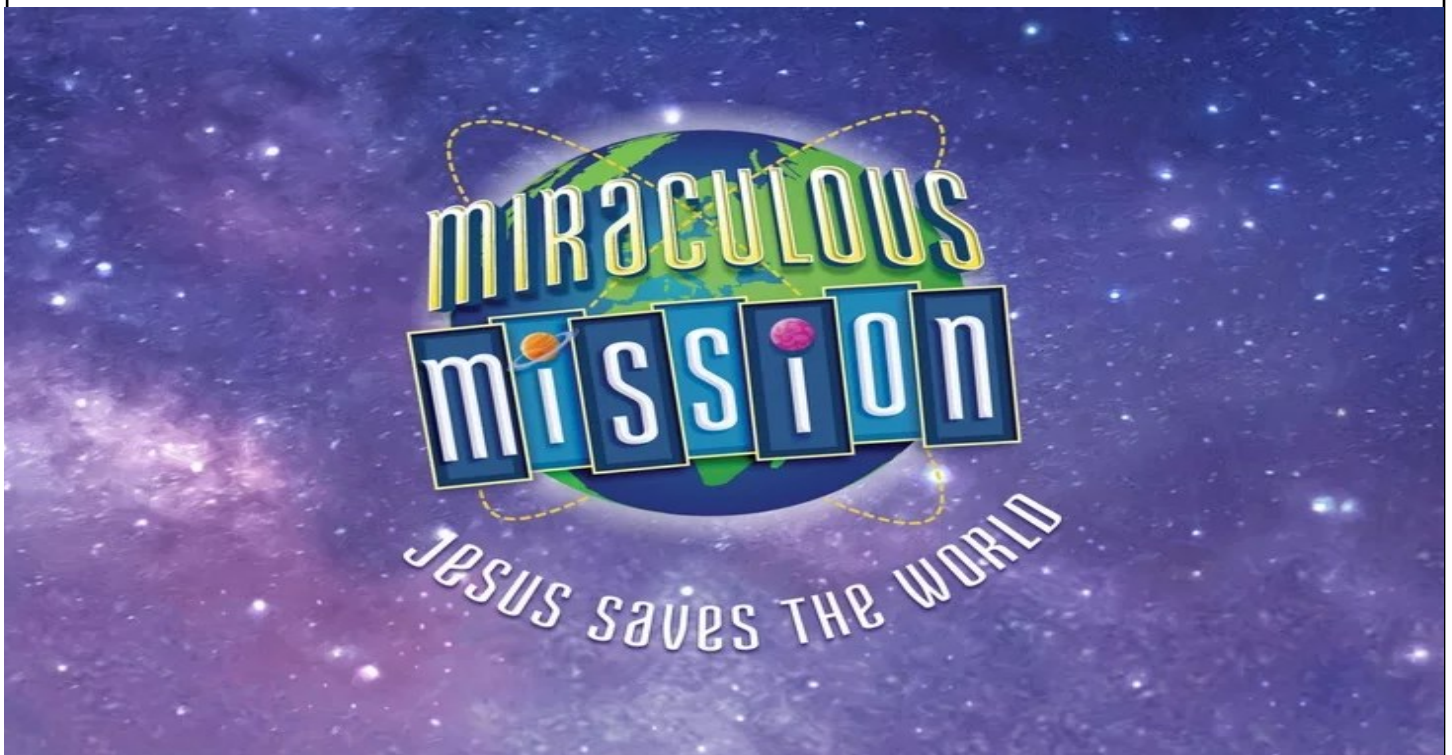
❖ **REGISTER:** <https://vbsmate.com/TLCCOMO>

The link is also available on the Trinity Website,
www.trinity-lcms.org

❖ **VOLUNTEER:** We need you!!!

Please sign up to today to volunteer!

See the link on the Trinity Website for opportunities to get involved.



STEPHEN MINISTRY



Your Stephen Leaders are motivated and excited to lead the Stephen Ministry at Trinity. As the body of Christ on earth, we have all been called to love and care for one another as we face life's difficulties. We are committed to helping "to equip God's people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up." (Ephesians 4:12)

Throughout the next four months, you will have several opportunities to learn more about the Stephen Ministry: how you might serve and how you or someone you know might receive care. We encourage you to attend any or all the following events or contact one of us to learn more about the Stephen Ministry. Please also pray that you will be open to the Holy Spirit's calling as a caregiver and/or as a care receiver. God has blessed His people with gifts to be actively involved in sharing Christ's love with each other. We need your prayers and enthusiastic participation!

Here are the current **Save the Date** events:

- † Second Sundays in July, August, and September – Information Table and Questions Answered
- † August 18 – Sharing Moments
- † August 25 – Presentation and Light Lunch
- † October 18-19 – Kickoff Event for Caregiver Trainees

We are honored to lead the Stephen Ministry—a proven system for utilizing the gifts, talents, and abilities God has given us and you.

In Christ,

Your Stephen Ministry Leaders

Rev. Brian Thieme: 573-445-2112 or
revthieme@trinity-lcms.org

Joanna McDowell: 573-881-4138 or
mcdowellfamily@centurytel.net

Larry McCoig (Elder): 660-247-3026 or
lmomc@yahoo.com

Debbie Antel: 573-819-3140 or
debbieantel@gmail.com

Equipment Need: To properly equip our office space, we need a fireproof, lockable filing cabinet. Do you happen to have access to one that is no longer needed? If so, please contact one of us.

*Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will
fulfill the law of Christ.*

Galatians 6:2

LIFE TEAM UPDATE

The Life Team met on June 10th and set July 25th as the date for our movie night. We will be showing the movie "Gosnell" which is rated PG-13. Young children should not attend this movie, and parents should use discretion when deciding if their teen should attend. Because we still want as many parents to attend as possible, on-site child care will be available.

We collected 1,779 diapers and wipes in our diaper drive, and they have been delivered to My Life Clinic. Thanks to everyone who donated to this project! Your support saves babies' lives and gives them and their mothers hope for the future.

We are working on a survey to present to the congregation about the needs of our senior and differently-abled members. Watch for a sharing moment soon. We would like to ask for your prayers for our Life Team; please pray that we would follow God's will for our team and provide the education to equip our congregation about Life issues. Blessings from the Life Team!



JUNE 11, 2019
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES
(Draft Minutes - Yet to be Approved)

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors was called to order on June 11, 2019 at 7:03 p.m. Attendees included Gary Kespohl (Chairman), Jacque Eckhoff (Secretary), Pastor Brian Thieme, Larry McCoig, Angel Arnall, James Harms, Mary Frerking, Annette Kiehne, Virginia Propp and Chris Bailey.

Pastor Thieme gave the opening devotion.

Larry McCoig moved to approve the Meeting Agenda; seconded and approved.

Angel Arnall moved to approve the Consent Agenda; 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

Rev. Spotts continues to visit 2/3 of the Homebound each month, and officiated June 2/3.

Rev. Rattelmuller preached May 25/26, and led Bible Study June 3rd. Rev. Riggert led Bible Study June 2nd.

One individual will begin the adult information class, Sunday morning class is studying the Pastoral Epistles, and Monday morning class is going through the Large Catechism (Lord's Prayer).

FINANCIAL SECRETARY - Not Present

For the month of May, the Regular Envelope collections are 112.99% of the anticipated monthly amount. Loose Plate collections are 59.66% and Sunday School are 112.17%. The Total Monthly collections are 110.57% of the monthly anticipated amount of \$37,405.24. The Total Year to Date collections through the end of May are 103.82% of the anticipated amount of \$204,212.30.

BOARD REPORTS:

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION - Mary Frerking

The BOCE is considering a new curriculum to be used this Fall. The board shared the information with the Sunday School teachers and is currently waiting on their feedback. There is a new curriculum for the Summer Sunday School session. It focuses on the Ten Commandments.

VBS will be during the week of July 16-19th. Set up will take place on Sunday, July 14th from 3:00 pm until it is finished.

Rally Sunday will be held August 25, 2019. The BOCE is

still in need of a new member to serve on the Board.

EARLY CHILDHOOD ED. - Virginia Propp

See page 14 of the BOD packet for enrollment totals. The BOECE approved the hiring of a full-time toddler aide and a part-time afternoon staff. Both are now filled. Three teachers will attend Conscious Discipline Training on June 4-6th and 18-20th. Pre-K teacher Jana Huggins won the MU Occupational Program Outstanding Advocate Award for her work with the MU Team.

ELDERS - Larry McCoig

The prayer list was reviewed. The Elders discussed recent actions of the Voters Assembly. An outline of Hymn Hysteria was shared for review. Elders assignments were made for the month of June.

EVANGELISM - No Rep. Present

No report filed.

PAROCHIAL EDUCATION - No Rep. Present

See packet for financial report.

SOCIAL MINISTRY - Angel Arnall

Trinity was responsible for the Circle of Friends meal on June 3, 2019. The BOSM will host the Storytellers BBQ on June 26, 2019. Angel Arnall will meet with Elke Beltz regarding an overnight group trip to visit the Ark in Kentucky.

Lutherfest will be November 10, 2019 following the 10:30 am service.

STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE - No Rep. Present

The Board, on Pastor Thieme's suggestion, is exploring stewardship programs/Bible studies that they can go through as a board. The offering count continued during the month, per the agreed upon schedule.

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH ENDOWMENT FUND - No Rep. Present

No report filed.

TRUSTEES - No Rep. Present

No report filed.

YOUTH - Chris Bailey

The Board of Youth is preparing for the National Youth Gathering in July. A final meeting with youth and parents will be scheduled.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

No report filed.

CONSTITUTION COMMITTEE:

The Constitution and Bylaws were submitted on May 22, 2019 to the Missouri District for review. There is currently no estimate on when to expect to receive feedback.

MEMBERSHIP CHANGES:

Transfer Out: Alyssa (Famuliner) Schaefer to Prince of Peace in Racine, WI

Transfer In: None

Larry McCoig moved to approve this membership change; seconded and approved.

MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS:

“Bridging the Gap”

GriefShare

Divorce Recovery

ESL

TREASURER’S REPORT - Jim Harms (Treasurer)

The Church’s income for May was \$44,830 with a year-to-date income for the month ending May 31, 2019 at \$232,664 (43.04 % of the \$540,599 income budgeted for the year).

The Church’s expenses for May was \$44,615 with year-to-date expenditures for the month ending May 31, 2019 at \$179,368 (40.86 % of the annual expenditure budget of \$439,029 (\$550,599 - \$101,530 Pastor Contingency).

The Church’s year-to-date five-month income over expenses was \$53,296. This number is reduced to a five-month total of \$10,992 when the budgeted Pastor Contingency is deducted.

The Learning Center’s income for May was \$59,071 with a year-to-date income for the month ending May 31, 2019 at \$298,130 (41.92 % of the \$711,200 income budgeted for the year).

The Learning Center’s expenses for May was \$70,715 with year-to-date expenditures for the month ending May 31, 2019 at \$273,826 (38.50 % of the annual expenditure budget of \$711,200). Expenses did exceed income for May, but an explanation is fairly simple as there were three bi-weekly payroll deductions in May.

The Learning Center year-to-date income over expenses was \$24,304. Combined (Church’s and Learning Center) year-to-date income over expenses was \$77,600.

Net operating cash available as of May 31, 2019 was \$170,232.

Dedicated accounts totaled \$81,027 as of May 31, 2019.

Lutheran Church Extension Fund (Designated Reserves & \$40K General Operating 4-yr 4% CD) accounts totaled \$396,653 as of May 31, 2019.

The \$385 Rose Von Gogh Memorial designated account was transferred to account 231 Baptism Banners at the request of the family.

TLCLC received a \$6,082.64 memorial gift from the estate of Rev. Frerking (designated funds account 256.2 TLCLC Frerking Mem).

Account 995.1 Curr Yr BOD/AOV App shows an expenditure of \$709.50 for the BOD approved confirma-

tion table purchase. Amazon \$480 credit to TLC MasterCard pending for the 2018 tables paid for and never received.

Angel Arnall moved to approve the Treasurer’s Report; seconded and approved. Larry McCoig moved that the Executive Committee negotiate with Boone Central Bank on current fees to get close to a competitive offer; seconded and approved.

OLD BUSINESS:

Call Process Update: Pastoral Profile Rankings

Larry McCoig went over Pastoral Profile Rankings on page 29 of the BOD packet. He asked that each of the BOD members fill out the sheet and return to the Elders mailbox by Monday, June 17, 2019.

TLCLC Foundation Project Complete

ProFoundation completed the foundation work and a check for payment has been written. Cost was \$8500.00.

Insurance Claim Update

The most current letter from Guide One is dated May 24, 2019 and states that investigation into the claim is ongoing. The estimate is not complete because the letter states that bids are needed for scaffolding, HVAC and skylight. Chairman Kespohl will follow up with Guide-One.

Nominations:

Christian Education - Vacant

BibleTelling Christian Storytelling Conference

The Conference will be held June 27-29th. There is still a need for housing for some of the storytellers. The BOCE wants to offer attendance to TLC Sunday School teachers. Cost is approximately \$109/person.

Pew Removal

Congregation members have started to give feedback on the removal.

NEW BUSINESS:

Circuit Forum

Larry McCoig spoke, as he is the District Representative. He has started reviewing the booklet for the Conference.

Life Team Movie

Chairman Kespohl received an email asking if TLC would show this movie at church. It is rated PG-13, and Chairman Kespohl has previewed it. There is some graphic material. The “go ahead” was given to show it. The next step is finding a date. Mary Frerking moved that the BOD approve the showing of the Life Team Movie; seconded and approved.

Spending Limit Increase

It was discovered that we cannot give temporary \$2500 limits to each board. See page 27 of the BOD packet for

complete details.

TLCLC Flooring

Chairman Kespohl would like to replace the TLCLC flooring this year. He called Georgia Carpet Industries. They have 20 mil vinyl in a multitude of colors. It's \$4.25/sq ft. If you buy enough the shipping is free. Chairman Kespohl also talked to Flooring America. They also have this product but their prices seem to be higher. Other ideas for products were discussed. Purchase of new flooring would need to be approved by the AOV, therefore the project cannot be done until November or December 2019.

Chris Bailey moved to have the floors waxed per the current schedule; seconded and approved.

Dry Erase Boards

Pastor Thieme spoke regarding the downstairs dry erase boards. They are in bad shape and need to be replaced. Three could be replaced immediately. One being paid for out of the Confirmation budget, and the other two out of the BOCE budget. Chairman Kespohl may have smaller boards that could be donated.

Angel Arnall moved to approve the purchase of three dry erase boards for downstairs if Chairman Kespohl does not get the donation; seconded and approved.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The next Board of Directors meeting will be held on July 16, 2019 at 7:00 PM.

The next Assembly of Voters meeting will be held on October 20, 2019 at 12:30 PM.

A new list of officers and board members is attached to the BOD Packet.

Angel Arnall moved to adjourn at 8:17 PM and Pastor Thieme led the group in the Lord's Prayer.

Jacque Eckhoff, Secretary

MARTIN THE MOUSE



Hi! I'm Martin the Church Mouse! I spend my days running around Trinity, and I see a lot of things other people never would. It was before my time, but I'm told there used to be a small army of ladies who helped the church office secretary fold, stuff, and staple bulletins and newsletters. Now there is only one—Lou Pasley. The printers can do a lot now, but they can't do everything. Lou is here like clockwork every Friday to fold and stuff the bulletins and other things the technology can't handle. She also comes in to scan all the financial records so we have electronic copies of everything. Thank you, Lou, and thank you all for everything you do!

Board of Directors reports and agenda items are due to the church office by noon on Friday, July 12, 2019.

The Board of Directors will meet Tuesday, July 16, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. in the Overflow Area.

The Assembly of Voters will meet Sunday, October 20, 2019 at 12:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

2019 Trinity Lutheran Church Board Members

Chairman

Gary Kespohl

Secretary

Jacque Eckhoff

Treasurer

Jim Harms

Financial Secretary

Ron Dicks

Board of Christian Ed.

Mary Frerking

Julie Smith

vacancy

Board of Early

Childhood Ed.

Carole Eilers

Christina Hartman

Karen Niederjohn

Virginia Propp

Theresa Yeager

Board of Elders

David Attebery

Ron Barrett

Jim Cherrington

John Frerking

Daniel Hartman

Doug Kiehne

Larry McCoig

Board of Evangelism

Robert Hall

Pattie Smith

vacancy

Board of Social Ministry

Angel Arnall

Kathy Ferguson

Loanna Thompson

Board of Parochial Ed.

Cynthia Green

Candice Kling

Mary Raisch

Board of Stewardship and Finance

Lori Bresnahan-Burns

Sean Huggans

Buck Katt

Darren Laupp

Richard Mangold

Andrew Saeger

Board of TLC Endowment Fund

Kevin Burns

Gary Frisch

Carey Smith

Board of Trustees

Charlie Cott

Jim Niederjohn

vacancy

Board of Youth

Chris Bailey

Melissa Remer-Phifer

Michelle Wren



Lutherans
For Life

Greetings in the name of the Triune God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit!

Many thanks to all of you who donated diapers for Missouri's Largest Diaper Shower! Thousands of diapers have been collected and distributed to local pregnancy resource centers to support mothers who have chosen "life" for the child God created. Your kindness can literally mean the difference between life and death. The 'diaper shower' has officially ended but the pregnancy centers welcome diapers at any time so feel free to continue to contribute.

Lutherans For Life publishes Life Date, a free quarterly journal of news and commentary on life issues. You may order a subscription by contacting www.lutheransforlife.org or read it online at that website. The Summer/June 2019 issue is entirely digital. The theme of this issue is "**Science on the Side of Life**". It includes many looks at scientific advancements relevant to affirming life and is written around the theme "Great are the works of the LORD, studied by all who delight in them." (Psalm 111:2).

The following is a guest column from the Summer Digital Life Date by Rev. Troy Tysdal:

Leap for Joy

by Rev. Troy Tysdal

A few years ago, I was approached by a couple considering an abortion. They wanted a pastor's opinion, so I gave them one. I told them that God values life—so much so that He sent His one and only Son to be crucified for the sins of the world. The young couple seemed conflicted. "But, it's legal!" replied the young man.

About a year later, the governor of my state vetoed a bill requiring doctors to ask women seeking an abortion if they would first like to see an ultrasound. I watched on social media as several friends rejoiced over the veto—with one friend writing, "I've never been so proud to live in this state!"

These comments came from intelligent people, but intelligent people who have been deceived. The Scriptures tell us that it is God who knits a child together (Psalm 139:13), and even that the infant John the Baptist leapt for joy in his mother's womb when he first heard the voice of Mary—the mother of his Lord (Luke 1:44). As the Church, we are created to stand against evil. We are created to speak truth... and forgiveness.

The truth is that abortion ends the life of a human being, and we should be unwavering in our opposition to it. But that is not the end of the story. We have been given the gift of Christ, and the power of Christ can wash our sins away. Perhaps that is the message you need to hear today—the message that all sinners need. **Whatever your sin, no matter how big or how small, the blood of Jesus is enough.** May your soul leap for joy—for your Savior has come! (Rev. Troy Tysdal is the director of communications and prayer for the church of the Lutheran Brethren and serves as editor in chief of *Faith & Fellowship* magazine.)

Other topics in the magazine this month include *Ten Life-Affirming Science Facts* by Pastor Michael Salemink, executive director of Lutherans For Life and *Will It Hurt? Pain Perception in the Developing Human* by Dr. Sheila Page. There are also sections on Family Living and End of Life issues. Don't miss this issues of Life Date as it equips Lutherans to be Gospel-motivated voices For Life!

Be a voice for life!

Sylvia Glenn

Feel free to call me (573-592-7866) for information or concerns about life issues. For those who have had an abortion, 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 contact WORD of HOPE, toll-free 888-217-8679, info@word-of-hope.org, or visit www.word-of-hope.org.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES COLLECTION

Back To School



The Board of Social Ministry, in conjunction with Voluntary Action Center, is requesting donations of school supplies for the Back-to-School Health Fair that will be held July 27 at Derby Ridge Elementary School. Local children from low-income families will receive free vision, hearing, and dental screenings. They will also receive free haircuts and school supplies.

Items will be collected at Trinity from June 23-July 18 and may be left in the marked container in the hallway near the Christian Resource Center.

If you would like to volunteer to pack backpacks or help on the day of the event, please email Angel Arnall at AngelArnall@gmail.com.

If you choose to donate, these items are requested:

#2 Pencils (8 pack)

Backpacks

Blue and Red Pens

Colored Pencils (12 pack)

Composition Notebooks

Crayons (24 pack)

Dry-Erase Markers

Earbuds

Glue Sticks

Highlighters

Loose Notebook Paper

Pink Erasers

Scissors

Spiral Notebooks

Washable Markers (10 Pack)

SUMMER HUMOR

Since the heat of the summer is coming on, here are a couple lessons on keeping both your body and your mind cool.

Chill Out!



A man bought a parrot and brought him home. Quickly the parrot started insulting him and got really personal and nasty, so the man picked up the parrot and tossed him into the freezer to teach him a lesson. The man heard the bird squawking for a few minutes, but all of a sudden the parrot was quiet. The man opened the freezer door, the parrot walked out, looked up at him and said, "I apologize for offending you, and I humbly ask your forgiveness." The man replied, "Well, thank you. I forgive you." Then the parrot asked, "If you don't mind my asking, what did the chicken do?"



The Perfect Marriage

A man and woman had been married for more than 60 years. They had shared everything. They had talked about everything. They had kept no secrets from each other, except that the little old woman had a shoe box in the top of her closet that she had told her husband never to open or ask her about. For all of these years, he had never thought about the box, but one day, the little old woman got very sick and the doctor said she would not recover. In trying to sort out their affairs, the little old man took down the shoe box and took it to his wife's bedside. She agreed that it was time that he should know what was in the box. When he opened it, he found two crocheted dolls and a stack of money totaling \$95,000.



He asked her about the contents. "When we were to be married," she said, "my grandmother told me the secret of a happy marriage was to never argue. She told me that if I ever got angry with you, I should just keep quiet and crochet a doll."

The little old man was so moved; he had to fight back tears. Only two precious dolls were in the box. She had only been angry with him two times in all those years of living and loving. He almost burst with happiness.

"Honey," he said, "that explains the dolls, but what about all this money? Where did it come from?"

"Oh," she said. "That's the money I made from selling the dolls."

YOUTH SPONSORSHIPS

As you have surely heard or read by now, several members of the Youth Group will be attending the National Youth Gathering in Minneapolis in just over a month, and they are asking for congregational sponsors to help fund the trip. If you would like to sponsor one or more of our youth, please pull one of the envelopes hanging on the bulletin board across from the church office. Fill out the information requested on the envelope and leave it in the church office with your sponsorship check.



In return, you will receive 2-3 postcards from the youth during the Gathering, a personal invitation to the youth presentation upon their return, and a HUGE thank you!!

Checks should be written to Trinity Lutheran Youth Fellowship. Add the youth's name in the memo line for record keeping purposes. Please contact a member of the Board of Youth for more information:

Chris Bailey: (573) 639-0727 cbailey4boardofyouth@gmail.com

Coming in 9 days:



lcmsgathering.com

SURVIVAL SNACKS

Mayday! Mayday! Mayday! The Trinity Youth are in need of breakfast and snack items for the NYG trip. These items will be eaten on the bus as well as in the hotel to grab a quick breakfast or snack so they don't have to wait in long lines or pay high prices for every meal. Rather than full-sized packages, we are looking for a variety of individual, nonperishable snack packs. Please drop off items at the Church Office from now until Monday, July 8th.



Suggested items include:

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| + snack crackers | + mini muffins |
| + breakfast cookies | + trail mix |
| + breakfast cereal | + potato chips |
| + doughnuts | + packs of gum |
| + pastries | + cookie packs |
| + granola bars | + fruit snacks |

Or any other grab-and-go item that you think a teenager may enjoy. Thank you!

YOUTH LABOR

The youth want to work for you! The National Youth Gathering attendees would like to pay their way by earning money from the sweat of their brows. If you have work you need done like mowing, weeding, yard work, babysitting, or dog walking, the youth may be able to help. Contact one of the members of the Board of Youth, and we will try to coordinate helpers for you.

Michelle Wren:

(573) 953-9868

michellewren32@yahoo.com



GET YOUR JUMP ON!

The Youth Group is selling passes to Sky Zone Trampoline Park. The passes cost \$15 and get you one hour of jump time. Passes are good for one year but are not eligible for special events or "Glow Fridays." All proceeds go to helping the youth attend the National Youth Gathering in Minneapolis this July. Passes can be purchased from any Youth Group member or from the Church Office.



Chris Bailey: (573) 639-0727

email: cbailey4boardofyouth@gmail.com.

¡Bienvenidas!

"Fields are white and harvests waiting," (LSB 827:1)! Praise the Lord for these lovely ladies, who'll be joining LAC's ranks in the coming months:

- [Kate Phillips](#), Deaconess Intern, DR
- Cynthia Pine, Associate Business Manager, Regional Team (based in the DR)
- [Stephanie Wilde](#), Deaconess Intern, Puerto Rico
- [Courtney Zalmanoff](#), Assistant Volunteer Coordinator, Regional Team (based in the DR)

Click their names to read their bios (email version), and keep them in your prayers as they build their support networks and prepare for deployment!



Palmar Arriba's fledgling Sunday school program, co-led by missionary deaconess Caitlin and members of the congregation.

(If you received a hard copy of this and would like to help me be green and save on postage, please send an email to erin.mackenzie@lcms.org.)

From Whom I Learned It

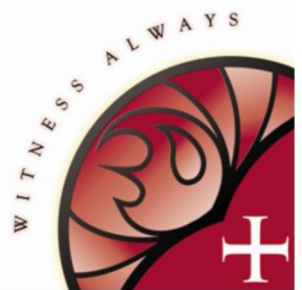
My ad hoc mission family (we don't share DNA, but we have a Facebook group, OK?) makes me even *more* grateful for every twig in the family tree I was born into. They are, in large part, the reason I'm on the mission field. Yes, I know from whom I learned what I firmly believe (c.f. 2 Tim. 3:14-15), that's for sure.

My parents have lived in the same house since they got married. In 1984. I have my passport number memorized. The coconut doesn't fall far from the palm tree, though. So, seeing as how we find ourselves between Mother's Day and Father's Day in the US and the DR (May 26 and July 28, in the case of the latter), thanks, Mom and Dad:

...for making Sundays mean cinnamon rolls, church and Sunday school.
 ...for sacrificing so that I never went to a school where Jesus wasn't welcome.
 ...for bowing your heads in gratitude before Every. Single. Meal.
 ...for asking 16-year-old me if I wanted to go on the mission trip in the bulletin.
 ...for not trying to persuade me to major in something more academic.
 ...for...twice...not slamming the door to foreign missionary service.
 ...for holding my hand through the "adulthood" of an overseas move.
 ...for installing WhatsApp on your phones and learning how to use it.
 ...for storing eight tubs of my belongings.
 ...for faithfully mailing me the *Webster-Kirkwood Times* crossword puzzle.
 ...for boarding my cat for five [agonizingly long!](#) months.
 ...for flying 1,800 miles with said cat in tow and spending two weeks in my world — in its humid, motorcycle-filled, dishwasherless glory — and with my missionary family.

And thank you most of all, for bringing me to the font as an infant so that I might become part of God's *eternal* family, a family that the Holy Spirit causes to grow daily before my eyes.

*Adapted from [my latest web-exclusive article](#) for *Lutheran Witness*, which went live late last month.





Praises and Petitions

1. Thanksgiving for the safe return of seminary student Rafael after spending an unanticipated extra 3 weeks in Venezuela due to unrest.
2. Thanksgiving for fellow missionary Cheryl's 40 years of deaconess service.
3. Thanksgiving for the birth of Aviva Eliana to fellow missionaries Brian & Amanda, and for her rebirth in Holy Baptism.
4. That God would raise up faithful, new tenants for the house I own in south St. Louis.
5. For new confirmands to be welcomed into the fold at my church on June 16, that they might remain firm in the faith they'll publicly profess.
6. For the Jamaica field staff as they prepare for their first OIM short-term team arriving June 24.

A New "Man" in the Caymans

Earlier this month, Rev. Dallas C. R. Dubke, the latest in a revolving door of interim pastors, deployed to the Cayman Islands for a three-month stint.

I won't bother telling you that the Cayman Islands, a British Overseas Territory that helps put the "Caribbean" in "Latin America & the Caribbean," are south of Cuba and west of Jamaica, because you probably just looked it up :) Safe Harbour Lutheran Church on Grand Cayman (one of three islands, the other two of which are Cayman Brac and Little Cayman) was planted by LCMS World Mission in 2002. The congregation worships at the South Sound Community Centre and has served individuals from more than 20 countries in its short history. Recent efforts have included mercy work and catechesis among Cuban detainees.

July promises to be an especially exciting month for Rev. Dubke and Safe Harbour as they host an Every One His Witness workshop with the help of a short-term team from Monmouth, OR.

Follow @SafeHarbourLC on [Facebook](#) for photos and stories of special events and day-to-day ministry alike!



Left: A mural near the Mirabal sisters' birthplace in Ojo de Agua. Read the full story of my latest cultural excursion on my [blog](#). **Center:** The Peru team hard at work. I've been gradually stepping up my involvement there and will accompany a team in Lima next month. **Right:** Arepa night!

Quote of the Month!

"I have held many things in my hands and I have lost them all; — but whatever I have placed in God's hands, that I still possess."

—Martin Luther

To support the LCMS through me, you may give a tax-deductible gift...

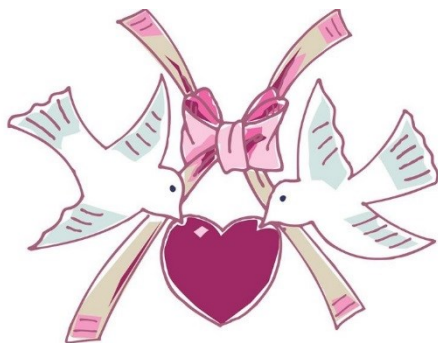
- **online**, securely from any device: lcms.org/givenow/mackenzie;
- by **calling** a donor care representative: 1-888-843-5267; or
- by **sending a check** (with "Mackenzie/Latin America" on the memo line) to:
 - ⇒ LCMS, PO Box 66861, St. Louis, MO 63166-6861; or
 - ⇒ Mission Central, 40718 Highway E 16, Mapleton, IA 51034.



JULY ANNIVERSARIES



Lonny and Sandy Dirks..... July 1, 1978
 Chris and Jessica Kespol..... July 4, 1998
 Andrew and Hannah Nandor..... July 5, 2014
 Daniel and Christina Hartman July 6, 2009
 Jim and Mindy Cherrington July 11, 1987
 Lynn and Diane Allen..... July 12, 1975
 Timothy and Ashley Jones..... July 12, 2014
 Brian and Mitzi Clayton..... July 13, 1996
 Rev. Brian and Carrie Whittle..... July 13, 1996
 Ron and Lori Dickes July 15, 1978
 Warren and Karen Harms July 17, 1982
 Casey and Amanda Stine..... July 18, 2009
 Damon and Tobi Linneman..... July 19, 1997
 Butch and Susan Reynolds July 20, 2002
 Robyn and Mary Raisch July 23, 1977
 Kevin and Diane Smith..... July 24, 1982
 James and Barbara Boling July 26, 1964
 Ben and Arla Benskin July 30, 1961



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 Dottie Gleed
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 Braiden Raisch
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 Rachel Blackmore
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 Sharon Reeder
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 Ashley Boehmer
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 Claire Armstrong
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 Matthew Frerking
 Abe Mefrakis
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 Kathy Frerichs
 Fred Luetkemeier
 Carissa Mariott
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 Diane Allen
 Archie Bourret
 Teresa Gooch
 Eric Kincanon
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 Chris Bailey
 Jacque Eckhoff
 Toni Hemmer
 Doug Kiehne
 Rachael Marler
 Agnes Mrutu

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 Linnea Lilja
 Gabe Mefrakis
 Henry Parker
 Ken Redders
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 Jim Harms
 Rachel Kiehne
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 Ayla Yung
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 Lynn Allen
 Casey Fick
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 Mary Frerking
 Aurora Monroe
 Emly Stone
 Isaac Stone
 Phyllis White
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 Glen Frerichs
 Summer Kuehner
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 Ron Dickes
 Eric Hemmer
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 Neil Eckhoff
 Collin Samuel
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 Betty Buchheit
 Carolyn Holste
 Darren Laupp
 Kimberly Rainey

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 Sadie Gustafson
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 Larry Kuehner
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 Mitzi Clayton
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 Jay Craig
 Kevin Habjan
 Jennifer McMillen
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 Spencer Baehman
 John Clay
 Gladys Thompson
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 David Attebery
 Brett Huggans
 Jason Mott
 Fred Pistel
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 Norma Clark
 Bryson Clayton
 Tammy Mangold
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 Doris Pistel
 Nancy Schultz
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 Carol Easterhaus
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 Emily Derendinger
 Sandy Dirks
 Madeline Huggans
 Raymond Noll

The information for anniversaries and birthdays comes from our Shepherd Staff database. If any information is incorrect or omitted, please contact the Church Office so that we can update our database and avoid the error in the future.



OFFICE HOURS CHANGE

The daily hours for the Church Office have temporarily changed to 7:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m. This is to accommodate my course of daily medical treatments. Regular office hours of 8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m. will resume on Tuesday, Sept. 3. Thanks for your cooperation!
 ~Andrew Saeger



CHURCH DATABASE UPDATE



Thank you to everyone who has returned their household's packet for our database update. If you have not completed and returned yours, please do so as soon as you can. If you have not gotten your packet or have any questions about its contents, please contact the Church Office.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
30	1 9a Bible Class 6p Worship Service w/Communion	2	3 7a Pickleball 9a TLCLC Chapel	4 INDEPENDENCE DAY OFFICES CLOSED	5	6
7 8a & 1030a Worship Service w/ Communion 915a Sunday School	8 6p Worship Service w/Communion	9	10 7a Pickleball 9a TLCLC Chapel 530p Life Team	11 630a Men's Bible Study @ Denny's 9a TLCLC Chapel	12 12p Bd of Directors' Agenda items due	13
National Youth Gathering in Minneapolis						
14 8a & 1030a Worship Service 915a Sunday School 915a & 1145a Stephen Ministry Info Table 12p College Student Lunch	15 9a Bible Class 6p Worship Service	16 7p Bd of Directors (Overflow Area)	17 7a Pickleball 9a TLCLC Chapel	18 630a Men's Bible Study @ Denny's 9a TLCLC Chapel	19	20
National Youth Gathering		Vacation Bible School 5:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m.				
21 8a & 1030a Worship Service w/ Communion 915a Sunday School	22 9a Bible Class 6p Worship Service w/Communion	23	24 7a Pickleball 9a TLCLC Chapel	25 630a Men's Bible Study @ Denny's 9a TLCLC Chapel 7p Life Team Movie: "Gosnell"	26	27
28 8a & 1030a Worship Service 915a Sunday School	29 9a Bible Class 6p Worship Service	30 6p Bd of Elders	31 7a Pickleball 9a TLCLC Chapel	1	2	3

MINISTRY DESCRIPTION

Position: Pastor

Purpose: To serve the Church by coordinating and implementing the program of the Church. Working under the direction of the other Pastor to facilitate the vision, develop new programs in keeping with established goals, maximizes the effectiveness of present program, and give leadership to program volunteers involved in this ministry. Call on members and friends of the Church at homes or in hospitals; especially the elderly, grieving, troubled, or those celebrating a special occasion.

Duties and Responsibilities:

- † Administer the Word of God in its full truth and purity as contained in the Sacred Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments and as set forth in the confessional writings of the Evangelical Lutheran Church as found in The Book of Concord.
- † Administer the Holy Sacraments in accordance with their divine institution.
- † Perform the functions of a Pastor in an evangelical manner, to aid, counsel and guide members of all ages and social conditions; to visit the sick and the dying, and to admonish the indifferent and the erring.
- † Guard and promote faithfully the spiritual welfare of the members of the congregation, in particular to instruct the catechumens, both children and adults, in the Word of God and thus prepare them for the communicant membership in the Church.
- † Promote and guide mission activity of the congregation as it is related to the local community and to endeavors of the Synod and its Districts.
- † Serve the congregation as an example of Christian conduct, to endeavor earnestly to live in Christian unity with the members of the congregation, fellow workers, sister congregations in the Synod, and by the grace of God to do everything possible for the edification of the congregation and the up-building of the Church in Christ.
- † Meet on a regular schedule with the other Pastor to clarify vision, goals and strategy.
- † Evaluate the evolving needs of the congregation and work to strengthen the present program in keeping with those needs. Especially developing and supervising the educational ministries of the Church, with direct responsibility for youth.
- † Facilitate the development of programs through volunteers, committees, and boards of the Church
- † Supervise the communication of the program of the Church to the congregation by overseeing preparation of weekly bulletins, overseeing production of newsletters, and writing press releases.
- † Work closely with the other Pastor in leading meetings and retreats.
- † Work with appropriate committees, officers, and leaders to carry out the mission and ministry of the Church.
- † Participate in the selection of Church officers and provide officer training.
- † Attend board meetings as a resource for informational purposes and for moderating.
- † Officiating Divine Services in coordination with the other Pastor.
- † Oversee and lead in the education program of the Church and Learning Center.
- † Conduct weddings and funerals by providing appropriate preparation and support.
- † Represent the Church by serving at the District level and Synod level.
- † Cooperate with the Elders by performing other duties when asked.

PASTORAL NOMINATION FORM

All members of Trinity Lutheran Church are invited to submit a name or names of Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod pastors to the call committee for our consideration. Before submitting a nomination, please obtain a printed Ministry Description from the Church Office to help guide you in prayerfully considering whether the pastor you nominate has the qualifications to serve our congregation as pastor.

Full name of pastor you are nominating:

Address:

Street

City

State

Zip Code

Name of Congregation and city where the pastor currently serves.

Why do you believe that our congregation should consider calling this pastor?

Are you a relative of this pastor?_____

If yes, please list relationship_____

If you do not know this pastor personally, who gave you the name of this pastor to present to our congregation's call committee?_____

Please add additional information you desire to share on a separate sheet of paper.

Your name:_____

Phone number:_____

Please submit your nomination(s) to any Elder or to the Church Office. The deadline for submitting nominations is Sunday, July 28, 2019.

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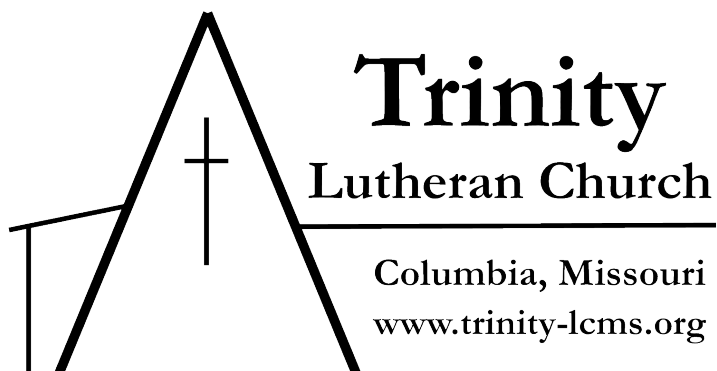
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SUNDAY 9:15 A.M.

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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