The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost Sunday, July 23, 2023



Warm greetings to you, dear worshipper, in the name of our Risen Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. May the blessings of His presence and His peace be with you throughout this week.

Guests: If you are a guest worshiping with us today, we are honored to have you join us in receiving the rich blessings that our Lord supplies to us through the gift of His holy Word. We invite you to return and worship with us again as the opportunity arises.





Children: Parents and their children are welcome to sit in the front of the & church so that the children can see and hear the service clearly. The Family Room in the Narthex may be used by anyone who prefers or Let the little children needs a more private setting.

Prayer Requests: If you have an intercession to add to our weekly prayers at church or to our daily Prayer Chain, please contact the Church Office or fill out one of the prayer request cards located in your pew and place it in the offering collection box.





Publications: We invite you to read our Trinity Weekly News and visit our bulletin boards for info about church activities. Publications including our monthly newsletter are available from the information stand in the Narthex and at various locations in the hallway.

Accessibility: A lift (slow-moving elevator) is located just outside the sanctuary overflow area for those who prefer not to take the stairs to the lower level. Ushers and many church members can assist with the operation of the lift.



Audio Assistance: We provide hearing-assist and closed captioning devices for the hearing impaired. If you would like to try these devices to see if they will enhance your worship experience, they are located in the Narthex. CD and DVD recordings of the weekly service will be available from the Church Office later in the week.

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Serving in God's House Today:

Liturgist: Rev. Joseph McCalley Preacher: Rev. Brian Thieme

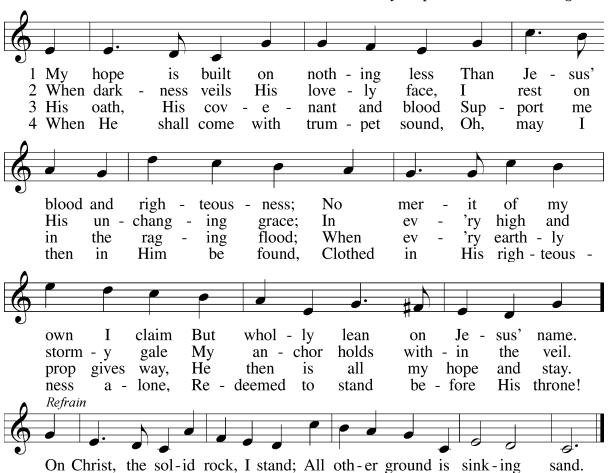
Elders: (8:00) David Attebery | (10:30) Ron Barrett

Organist: **Bonnie Lawler**

Order of Service: Divine Service I – LSB 151

Bells' Call to Worship Word of Welcome Organ Prelude Hymn of Invocation

LSB 575 My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less



Confession and Absolution

Stand

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

- In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

- **P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.
- Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Stand

Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 86:11-15; antiphon: v. 6

- P Give ear, O LORD, to my prayer; listen to my plea for grace.
- Teach me your way, O LORD, that I may walk in your truth; unite my heart to fear your name.
- I give thanks to you, O Lord my God, with my whole heart, and I will glorify your name forever.
- **C** For great is your steadfast love toward me;

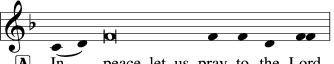
you have delivered my soul from the depths of Sheol.

O God, insolent men have risen up against me; a band of ruthless men seek my life,

and they do not set you before them.

- But you, O Lord, are a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness.
- Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.
- **P** Give ear, O LORD, to my prayer; listen to my plea for grace.

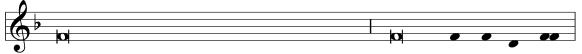
Kyrie LSB 152



A In peace let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

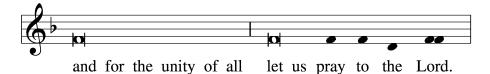


A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

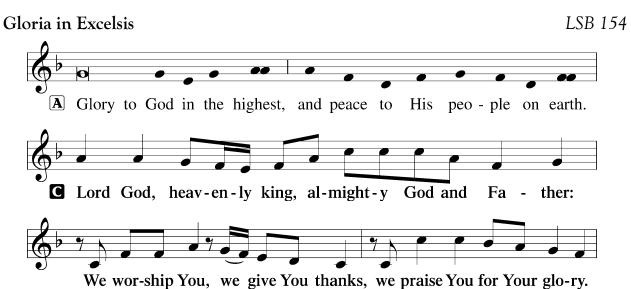




A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,

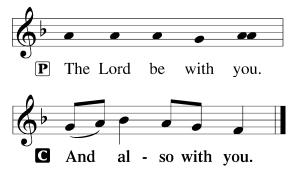








Salutation and Collect of the Day



P Let us pray.

O God, so rule and govern our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that, ever mindful of Your final judgment, we may be stirred up to holiness of living here and dwell with You in perfect joy hereafter; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Sit

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 44:6-8

⁶Thus says the LORD, the King of Israel and his Redeemer, the LORD of hosts:

"I am the first and I am the last; besides me there is no god.

⁷Who is like me? Let him proclaim it.

Let him declare and set it before me,

since I appointed an ancient people.

Let them declare what is to come, and what will happen.

⁸Fear not, nor be afraid;

have I not told you from of old and declared it?

And you are my witnesses!

Is there a God besides me?

There is no Rock; I know not any."

- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Gradual Romans 11:33, 36

- P Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God!
- How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways!
- **P** For from him and through him and to him are all things.
- To him be glory forever. Amen.

Epistle Romans 8:18–27

¹⁸For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us. ¹⁹For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the sons of God. ²⁰For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of him who subjected it, in hope ²¹that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. ²²For we know that the whole creation has been groaning together in the pains of childbirth until now. ²³And not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for adoption as sons, the redemption of our bodies. ²⁴For in this hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who

hopes for what he sees? ²⁵But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

²⁶Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words. ²⁷And he who searches hearts knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia and Verse LSB 156



Holy Gospel

Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the thirteenth chapter.



²⁴[Jesus] put another parable before them, saying, "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a man who sowed good seed in his field, ²⁵but while his men were sleeping, his enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat and went away. ²⁶So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared also. ²⁷And the servants of the master of the house came and said to him, 'Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? How then does it have weeds?' ²⁸He said to them, 'An enemy has done this.' So the servants said to him, 'Then do you want us to go and gather them?' ²⁹But he said, 'No, lest in gathering the weeds you root up the wheat along with them. ³⁰Let both grow together until the harvest, and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Gather the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.'" . . .

³⁶Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples came to him, saying, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field." ³⁷He answered, "The one

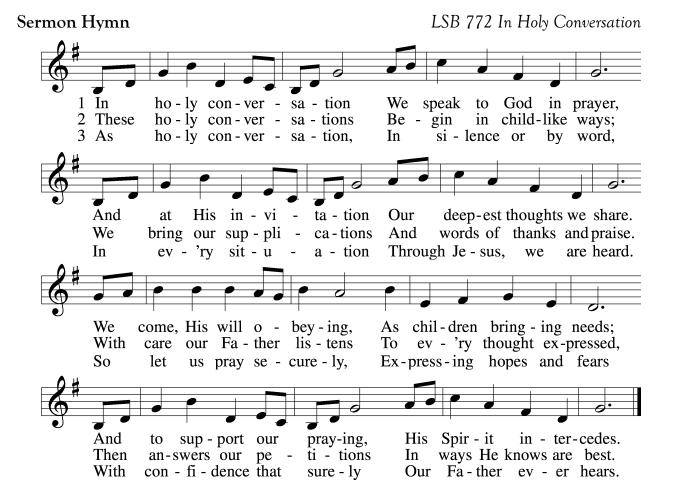
who sows the good seed is the Son of Man. ³⁸The field is the world, and the good seed is the children of the kingdom. The weeds are the sons of the evil one, ³⁹and the enemy who sowed them is the devil. The harvest is the close of the age, and the reapers are angels. ⁴⁰Just as the weeds are gathered and burned with fire, so will it be at the close of the age. ⁴¹The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will gather out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all law-breakers, ⁴²and throw them into the fiery furnace. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. ⁴³Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. He who has ears, let him hear."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.





Children's Message



Sermon

"The Enemy Has Done This"

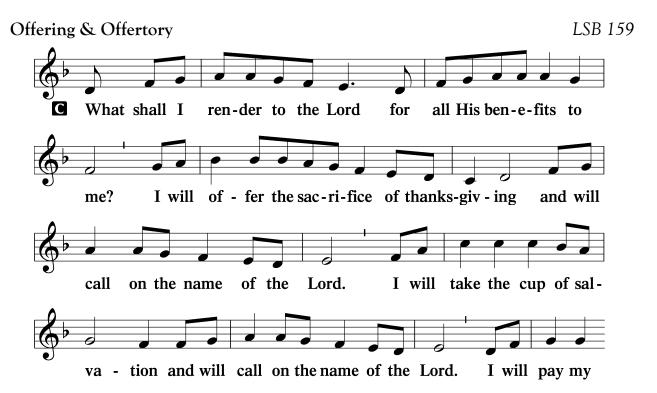
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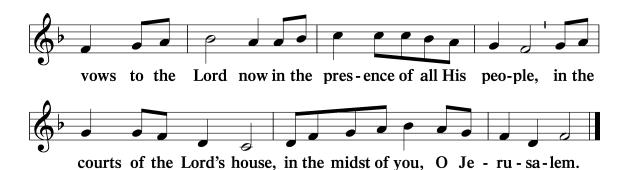
Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life + everlasting. Amen.





Prayer of the Church

Lord's Prayer

C Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth
as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.

Collect

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, grant to Your Church Your Holy Spirit and the wisdom that comes down from above, that Your Word may not be bound but have free course and be preached to the joy and edifying of Christ's holy people, so that in steadfast faith we may serve You and, in the confession of Your name, abide unto the end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Benediction LSB 166



The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.





Organ Postlude

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July 23 & 24, 2023

The chancel flowers this week are sponsored by Karen Niederjohn and Jennifer & Travis McMillen & family



This Week at Trinity:

Sunday 7/23

8:00 a.m.—Divine Service

9:00 a.m.—Fellowship

9:30 a.m.—Sun. School

10:30 a.m.—Divine Service

Monday 7/24

9:00 a.m.—Bible Study

6:00 p.m.—Divine Service

Tuesday 7/25

5:30 p.m.—Pickleball

5:30 p.m.—GLAT

6:30 p.m.—Board of Trustees

Wednesday 7/26

9:00 a.m.—TLCLC Chapel

Thursday 7/27

7:00 a.m.—Men's Bible Study

9:00 a.m.—TLCLC Chapel

3:00 p.m.—Constitution & Bylaws

Committee

5:30 p.m.—Pickleball

6:00 p.m.—Board of Elders

6:30 p.m.—Women's Bible Study

Friday 7/28

1:00 p.m.—Youth Pool Party

Pastors' day off

Saturday 7/29

12:00 p.m.—Bus trip to Arrow Rock

Sunday 7/30

8:00 a.m.—Divine Service w/ Comm.

9:00 a.m.—Fellowship

9:30 a.m.—Sun. School

10:30 a.m.—Divine Service w/ Comm.



The Lord is my strength and my song; he has become my salvation.

Psalm 118:14

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Wednesday, July 26: Pool Party

Saturday, September 2: Float Trip @ Lake of the Ozarks w/Christ the King

Sunday, September 17: Chinese BBQ

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE FOR MAKING IT POSSIBLE FOR US TO ATTEND THE HIGHER THINGS CONFERENCE IN CARBONDALE, IL

Joe WE HAD A BLAST!!

Sydney

Emelia Abe Maddie

Rylee Reese Ryan

Luke

Sophia

We look forward to sharing our experience with you in the August edition of *News of the Son*.

Youth Fun & Fellowship: POOL PARTY Wednesday, July 26, 2023

Place: The Eckhoff's House 10200 W Graham Rd Rocheport, MO 65279

Time: 1:00-5:30 PM

Commitment: Up to 4 1/2 Hours; Provide your own transportation.

Contact: Jacque Eckhoff, 573-289-0273

Come any time 1:00-5:30 PM. Snacks and drinks will be provided, but don't forget your sunscreen and a towel!

BIG NIANGUA FLOAT TRIP Saturday, September 2, 2023

Come relax on the Big Niangua for a day! We'll kayak and canoe with other area Lutheran youth groups. Event organized through Living Waters Canoe Camp and Christ the King Lutheran Church at the lake. Cost is \$20 per person. Lunch will be provided. We'll depart Trinity early morning and return late afternoon/ early evening. **Signup deadline of August 12.** RSVP to Pastor McCalley.



Ladies' Bible Study & Story Telling

Through story telling the Holy Spirit inspired Moses to write the first books of the Bible. Jesus used parables to teach us how to live and understand our lives as His followers. In this Bible study we will get to know some of the women of the

Bible, their stories and experiences. We will explore how we can share their story with others. Whether it be encouragement, endurance, grief, or love their stories are a gift; a gift that is meant to be shared. Join us at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday evenings. Questions? Contact Chris Bailey at 573-639-0727 or email at vanity411@yahoo.com.

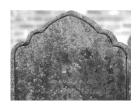
Men's Thursday Bible Study

The Thursday morning Men's Bible Study began new study in May.

This new study will use the new Concordia: The Lutheran Confessions

– A Reader's Edition of The Book of Concord (second edition). Specifically, we will start with Luther's Large Catechism. If you have an income

cifically, we will start with Luther's Large Catechism. If you have an individual copy of Concordia, bring it along but there should be enough copies for each attendee (church copies). We will use the same format as with The Lutheran Study Bible; i.e., we will read each section together and discuss the doctrine using the Concordia notes. Please plan on joining us and remember, we start at 7:00 am each Thursday.



Death & Dying Bible Study

Pastor McCalley's Death and Dying study will begin meeting on

Wednesday, August 23 at 1:30 p.m.

If you would like to join the class, please contact the church office. If you signed up previously but are unable to attend, please let the church office know.

Life Thoughts

Mon's

July 23 – Pentecost VIII (Proper 11A) – The people of God dare not confuse weeds with wheat. His Word clearly distinguishes His gifts from counterfeits. For our neighbor's sake and our own, we must recognize the enemy's doings (Matthew 13:27-28). Abortion, embryocide, and euthanasia are the devil's deceptions. Jesus Christ alone decides life and death for us (Isaiah 44:6), and His timing never withholds any bounties or glories (Romans 8:18).

Attendance Cards

Please assist us by filling out the attendance cards located in the pew rack. Each card has two sides: one for you to provide a record of attendance, communion, and pastoral care needs; the reverse contains space for prayer requests.

These cards help us to keep track of attendance and membership for our own church records and our annual report to the LCMS.

Cards may be placed in the offering box before or after the service. Thanks for your help!

Lectionary Preview Study Prepare for next week: Ninth Sunday after Pentecost, July 30, 2023

Old Testament: Deuteronomy 7:6-9

- 1. Deuteronomy may be called "Moses's farewell sermon" and is given about 15 miles southwest of modern Amman, Jordan. The Israelites have not yet entered the promised land, but listen to Moses repeat the law of God.
- 2. A little background. When the Israelites enter the land, what are they to do and not do with the nations living there, vv. 2, 3, and 5? Why is this verse 4?
- 3. How does verse 4 help clarify verse 6?
- 4. Moses says Israel was chosen by God because they were the fewest. What other examples can you think of where God raises up the lowly?
- 5. Even in the Old Testament, Gospel comes before Law. In verse 8, how does God identify himself? Is he the God who saves, or the God who judges? Read Exodus 20:1, 2. How is this pattern repeated?
- 6. This passage has a New Testament parallel in 1 Peter 2:4-5, 9-12. Why are we a holy people to God, according to verse 5? Challenge: We are like sojourners here, awaiting entrance into the new creation. How is our relationship with the Gentiles different than ancient Israel's relationship with the Canaanites, vv. 11-12? What has been fulfilled? (Hint: 1 Tim. 2:4, 1 Romans 1:16, Matt. 28:19).

Psalm 125

Epistle: Romans 8:28-39

- 7. Verse 29 is a sedes doctrinae (a seat of doctrine) for the teaching on predestination. A little vocabulary is helpful.
 - foreknowledge: In his omniscience God knows all that has and will happen.
 - Election or predestination: All that God does in time for our conversion, justification, and final glorification (v. 30. God predestines or elects to salvation because of Christ Jesus.
- 8. Verse 31 is completely dependent on vv. 28-29. Because of whom and whose work are Christians completely sure God desires their salvation?
- 9. How are each of the human struggles listed in verse 35 overcome by Christ? How are the spiritual problems in v. 38 overcome by Christ?

Holy Gospel: Matthew 13:44-52

- 10. The four parables given by Jesus in these verses express the preciousness of the kingdom of God.
- 11. Interestingly, these verses are unique to Matthew's gospel. Mark, Luke, and John have no parallel accounts.
- 12. In verse 51, Jesus concludes his teaching of the parables to the disciples. Even though their comprehension and faith is far from perfect, Jesus grants to them the knowledge of what God is doing in Christ Jesus as he connects to and is the fulfillment of the Old Testament. How does Psalm 78:1-8 assist us?

Hymns for Next Sunday

696 O God, My Faithful God 713 From God Can Nothing Move Me 724 If God Himself Be For Me 554 O Jesus, King Most Wonderful 622 Lord Jesus Christ, You Have Prepared 818 In Thee Is Gladness



We want everyone to have an opportunity to share in the blessing of having Pastor Thieme as God's faithful servant for 30 years! Plan for your family to join your brothers and sisters in Christ at the 10:00 a.m. special worship service on September 10 and for a hearty dinner and program in our gymnasium shortly after the service.

All member households will be mailed a formal invitation and RSVP card this week. (Many thanks to the nine women who

helped to address the envelopes!) Additional invitations will be available from the church office—nonmembers and former members, please contact Heather if you would like to receive an invitation so you too can join our congregation on this occasion. Be sure to complete and return the RSVP card quickly so we can provide an accurate headcount to the caterer. There is no cost for you to attend the dinner.

A very heartfelt thank you for the contributions received toward the gift the 30th Anniversary Planning Committee has chosen for Pastor Thieme and Sarah. Our congregation will be sending them on an overseas 12-day trip of a lifetime in appreciation of their 30 years of faithful service! The details of where they are going and some of what they will be doing while away will be revealed during the program on September 10. Copies of the May 10 letter and Designated Gift envelope are available to you from the church office if you would like to read more and/or still like to contribute. Please make your check payable to Trinity Lutheran Church with a notation it is for PT's 30th Anniversary.

The program is being planned. Contact Larry McCoig, our congregation president, if you have any suggestions or ideas for the program. His contact information: 660-247-3026 or Imomc@yahoo.com.

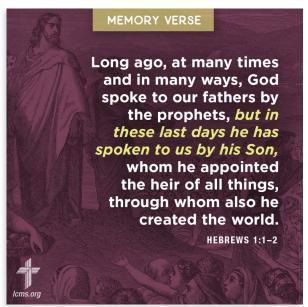
Assistance will be needed to help set up and clean up on the weekend of September 10. Let us know if you can help: 573-445-2112.

Stewardship & Scripture

July 23 - Proper 11

Romans 8:18 – "For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us." It is very easy to get caught up in the present and lose track of our ultimate destiny in the kingdom of God. St. Paul encourages us to keep eternity in mind. This certainly has an application to our support for the Gospel — if we keep our focus on "the glory to be revealed" we will see our tithes and offerings in a new light.

Brought to you by LCMS Stewardship Ministry and Trinity's Board of Stewardship and Finance



The Life Team has several items to share with you. First, we recommend the movie. Sound of Freedom. It is a true story of the horrific reality of human trafficking which happens all over the world, including the United States. This is a powerful and emotional movie and definitely not recommended for families to watch together. However, it is the slavery of our times and we urge you to see it, if possible, to become informed about this issue and see how you can help.

Next, Save the Date! Life Network of Central Missouri is holding their annual banquet on Friday, September 15th at the Crossina Church. The speaker this year is Kelly Lester who shares her story about desperate situa-

tions and that they are not beyond God. She shares her story of God making beauty from the ashes of her life. The Trinity Life Team is sponsoring a table this year and 4 seats are available. If you are interested in attending, please contact Sylvia Glenn or Phyllis White.

And one more item: the Life Team, in an effort to educate and equip our congregation to be Gospel motivated voices for life, is working to bring a speaker from Missouri Right to Life to talk about the proposed initiative petitions for the election in 2024 and how, if passed, they would affect the protections for women and unborn children in our state. Be on the lookout for the announcement in the weeks to come!

Blessings, the Life Team



Trinity Lutheran Church has a caregiving ministry. When you face a difficult time, reach out to one of our pastors and consider a caring IMINISTRY. relationship with a Stephen Ministry caregiver. The ministry is free

and completely confidential. Quotes from past care receivers: "It is a wonderful thing available to people in need." "The Stephen Ministry and my caregiver were a Godsend." A tri-fold flyer and a yellow information card are available from the information stand in the narthex. Meetings with a caregiver can be at your home or a neutral location (library, church, restaurant).

Stephen Ministry has a resource available to you. Journeying through Grief book sets can help you extend care and minister to people you know who are grieving the loss of a loved one. It is sometimes difficult to know how to minister to others who are grieving. Our hope is this will be a loving and effective way for you to extend care to people in your life. The book sets are available to you at no cost or obligation. A sample set is on display in the information stand in the narthex. If you would like to obtain a set of the books, text or leave a message to Barbara Barrett: 573-268-0056 or email her at Barbara.barrett5@outlook.com

Life Network of Central MO & My Life Clinic

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Believing Together In New Beginnings

Friday September 15 5:30pm The Crossing Church 3615 Southland Dr Columbia, MO 65201

Please RSVP by Friday, September 8

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