Trinity Weekly News

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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

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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.

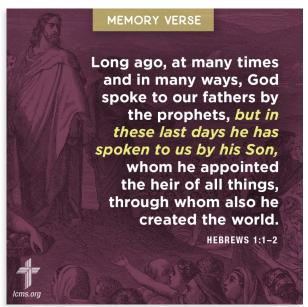
Assistance will be needed to help set up and clean up on the weekend of September 10. Let us know if you can help: 573-445-2112.

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

via enclosure, online or by calling 573-874-3561

Limited Seating Available - Must be 18 or older







Radio & Podcast Resources

The Lutheran Hour

The Lutheran Hour with Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler proclaims the salvation story of Jesus every week to hundreds of thousands of listeners. The Lutheran Hour weekly half-hour program can be heard on www.lhm.org, on their mobile app, or Sundays on several area radio stations:

8:00 a.m. on **KMCV 89.9FM** 9:00 a.m. on **KMCR 103.9FM** 8:00 a.m. on **KLTE 107.9FM** 10:00 a.m. on **KMMO 1300AM**

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CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFUO.org: Celebrate Bach Week with us on The Coffee Hour (weekdays at 9:00 a.m. CT), study Acts 5-8 on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11:00 a.m. CT), and spend Time in the Psalms on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8:00 a.m. CT). Find these programs on demand at kfuo.org or the KFUO Radio app!





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