# Trinity Weekly News

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# Trinity Lutheran Church — Columbia, MO

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July 30 & 31, 2023

The chancel flowers this week are sponsored by Doug and Joanna McDowell in honor of their 28th wedding anniversary



# This Week at Trinity:

### Sunday 7/30

8:00 a.m.—Divine Service w/ Comm.

9:30 a.m.—Sun. School

10:30 a.m.—Divine Service w/ Comm.

# **Monday 7/31**

9:00 a.m.—Bible Study

6:00 p.m.—Divine Service

# Tuesday 8/1

5:30 p.m.—Pickleball

5:30 p.m.—Board of Early Childhood

6:00 p.m.—Stephen Ministry

6:30 p.m.—Board of Christian Ed.

Pastor McCalley off

## Wednesday 8/2

9:00 a.m.—TLCLC Chapel

**Pastor McCalley off** 

## Thursday 8/3

7:00 a.m.—Men's Bible Study

9:00 a.m.—TLCLC Chapel

11:00 a.m.—Communion @ Lenoir

5:30 p.m.—Pickleball

6:30 p.m.—Women's Bible Study

**Pastor McCalley off** 

# Friday 8/4

Pastors' day off

# Sunday 8/6

8:00 a.m.—Divine Service w/ Comm.

9:30 a.m.—Sun. School

10:30 a.m.—Divine Service w/ Comm.

**Pastor McCalley off** 



Regarding the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Ordination of Pastor Thieme, all member households have been mailed a formal invitation. Additional invitations are available from the church office. If you are a member but did not receive an invitation or if you are a nonmember or former member, contact Heather in the church office to receive an invitation. Please complete and return the RSVP card before August 8.

The special service will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Sunday, September 10 and the dinner and program will be held in our gymnasium shortly after the service. There is no cost for you to attend the dinner. Assistance with the event will be needed during the weekend of September 10. Let us know if you can help by contacting Heather in the church office: 573-445-2112.

Our congregation is sending Pastor Thieme and Sarah on an overseas 12-day trip of a lifetime in appreciation of their 30 years of faithful

service. The details of the trip will be revealed during the program on September 10. Thank you for your generous contributions to date. Anyone who would 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 by Larry McCoig, our congregation president. His contact information: Imomc@yahoo.com or 660-247-3026.

We hope you and your family can join your brothers and sisters in Christ as we share in the blessing of having Pastor Thieme as God's faithful servant for 30 years.

# Stewardship & Scripture

July 30 – Proper 12

Matthew 13:45–46 – "Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls, who, on finding one pearl of great value, went and sold all that he had and bought it." Indeed, Jesus redeemed us, purchased us back from sin and death, with all that He had. We belong to Him now. Our generosity ought to imitate the out-sized generosity of Jesus.

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



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

Psalm 118:14

#### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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

Goe WE HAD A BLAST!!

Sydney

Emelia Abe Maddie

Rylee Reese Ryan

Matthew Josiah

We look forward to sharing our experience with you in the August

#### BIG NIANGUA FLOAT TRIP Saturday, September 2, 2023

Come relax on the Big Niangua for a day! We'll kayak and canoe

WHAT: Come relax on the Big Niangua for a day! We'll kayak and canoe with other area Lutheran churches. The outfitter is Living Waters Canoe Ministries and is being organized with Christ the King Lutheran Church. We'll leave Trinity early morning and return late afternoon. Lunch will be provided on the river.

COST: \$20 per person.

edition of News of the Son.

DEADLINE: AUGUST 12 (this is a hard deadline)

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 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

Men's

July 30 – Pentecost IX (Proper 12A) – Our Lord loves to take the tiniest as His treasured possession (Deuteronomy 7:7-8). Their insufficiencies only accentuate how great is His compassion (Psalm 125:2). "Little ones to Him belong, they are weak but He is strong." Does this include gestating embryos and unborn babies? Does it include bodies limited by age or ailment? Yes, Jesus loves them just as much as He loves me.

# Lectionary Preview Study Prepare for next week: Tenth Sunday after Pentecost, August 6, 2023

#### Old Testament: Isaiah 55:1-5

- 1. Verbs that communicate a direct order or a "do something" in a thought appear in what grammarians call the imperative mood. A mother could say "clean your room!" and the verb clean would be in the imperative mood. In verses 1-5, there are many verbs in the imperative mood. Who is the speaker issuing the call to come, buy, eat, listen, and behold? To what are they being called?
- 2. Who does the invitation to trust the Lord's compassion go out to, Luke 14:16-24?
- 3. Why is the Lord's banquet preferable to one prepared by human hands, verse 2?
- 4. The imagery here echoes the Messianic banquet of Isaiah 25:6-9. What's the point of God preparing this banquet according to 25:8?
- 5. In context, vv. 3, 4, "my...love for David. Behold I make him a witness..." refers to David's son. Who is David's son in the fullest sense? That is to ask, who is the witness to the whole world of the salvation given by God?

#### Psalm 136:1-9

#### Epistle: Romans 9:1-13

- 6. In chapters 9-11, Paul addresses the Jewish rejection of Jesus. How does he feel about it, vv. 2-3? Why does he feel so, vv. 4-5?
- 7. Even though Paul is grieved by their unbelief, does he blame God, v. 6?
- 8. Paul offers a gentle rebuke in verse 6b-7. How does Paul nicely summarize in verse 8 what Jesus also teaches in John 8:31-47?
- 9. When Paul says in v. 11, "God's purpose of election" he's teaching that God in his almighty freedom could have chosen either son to carry on the promise given to Abraham. The chosen heir doesn't have to follow the rules of genealogy, i.e., be the oldest. The committees in St. Louis do us a disfavor not giving us the rest of chapter nine. Paul anticipates a Jewish objection to his argument in vv. 14, "God is unfair!" In vv.15-23, then, he demonstrates that God is interested in showing mercy and salvation, not human reasoning about who the chosen son ought to be. Therefore, we really need the rest of chapter 9 to connect to the Isaiah reading and the gospel. And that's my two cents for today.

## Holy Gospel: Matthew 14:13-21

- 10. What news had Jesus just heard that caused him to depart? Ch. 14:10-12.
- 11. Jesus has finished teaching about the kingdom using the parables. He sees the enormous size of the crowd that's followed him and has compassion, v. 14. Given the goodness of God and the power of God he's taught the disciples using the parables, I think he's now giving them a little exam to see if they've listened well. What does he say in v. 16? Do they pass, v. 17?
- 12. Bread and fish is the Galilean equivalent of the Irish poor man's meal (cabbage), Jesus is not about rationing. How generous is God, v. 20? At the banquet the Lord hosts, does anyone go hungry?

# **Hymns for Next Sunday**

907 God Himself is Present 774 Feed Thy Children, God Most Holy 636 Soul, Adorn Thyself with Gladness 641 You Satisfy the Hungry Heart 919 Abide, O Dearest Jesus



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 MINISTRY 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

2023
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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** 

### **KFUO Lutheran Radio**

KFUO Radio, a media ministry extension of LCMS congregations, shares Christ for you anytime, anywhere on KFUO.org via worship services, Bible and theology studies, practical talk programs, and sacred music. You can find programs on demand at <a href="mailto:kfuo.org">kfuo.org</a> and wherever you get your podcasts! Find us on social: @KFUOradio on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram.

CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFUO.org: Begin studying Ecclesiastes on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8:00 a.m. CT), study Acts 9-11 on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11:00 a.m. CT), and dig into the Real Presence in the Lord's Supper on Concord Matters (8/5 at 10:00 a.m. CT). Find your favorite programs on demand at kfuo.org and the KFUO Radio app!





LIVE LCMS CONVENTION BROADCAST... You can listen to a live broadcast from the 68th Regular Convention of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod in Milwaukee from 7-9 p.m. Central on Sunday, July 30. You can listen at issuesetc.org and the Lutheran Public Radio mobile app.