Trinity Weekly News

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September 24 & 25, 2023

The chancel flowers this week are sponsored by Dan & Betty Buchheit in honor of their 45th wedding anniversary



This Week at Trinity:

Sunday 9/24

8:00 a.m.—Divine Service

9:00 a.m.—Fellowship

9:30 a.m.—Sunday School

10:30 a.m.—Divine Service

12:00 p.m.—Assembly of Voters

5:00 p.m.—Handbell Practice

6:00 p.m.—JCC

6:00 p.m.—Choir Practice

Monday 9/25

11:15 p.m.—GLAT

6:00 p.m.—Divine Service

Tuesday 9/26

8:30 a.m.—Kitchen & Fellowship Hall

Cleaning

5:30 p.m.—Pickleball

5:30 p.m.—Board of Trustees

Wednesday 9/27

9:00 a.m.—TLCLC Chapel

1:30 p.m.—Dying Well

Thursday 9/28

7:00 a.m.—Men's Bible Study

9:00 a.m.—TLCLC Chapel

5:30 p.m.—Pickleball

6:00 p.m.—Board of Elders

7:00 p.m.—Grief Share

Friday 9/29

Pastors' day off

Saturday 9/30

7:00 p.m.—Family Movie Night

Sunday 10/1

8:00 a.m.—Divine Service w/ Comm.

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6:00 p.m.—Choir Practice

6:00 p.m.--JCC

6:00 p.m.—LLL Fellowship



Assembly of Voters Meeting

Sunday, September 24, 2023 at 12:00 p.m.

Junior Confirmation Classes



—Class—

JCC meets on Sundays at 6:00 p.m. starting on September 17th.

If you have any questions, please contact the church office at (573) 445-2112 or church@trinity-lcms.org or talk with one of the pastors.

Cleaning (35.5) Crew Needed

Serving Opportunity

All members of the congregation are invited to join the Mary Martha Guild in shar-

ing a little elbow grease. The regular cleaning of the Fellowship Hall Kitchen will be on Tuesday, September 26, 2023 at 8:30 a.m. Come help us clean the kitchen! Bring cleaning gloves. Please call, text, or email if you can help. Thank you!

Marilyn (573) 777-2678 mjwise@centurylink.net

Men's Thursday Bible Study

The Thursday morning Men's Bible Study is studying Concordia: The Lutheran Confessions – A Reader's Edition of The Book of Concord (second edition), starting with Luther's Large Catechism. If you have an individual copy of Concordia, bring it alo

chism. 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.

$A\alpha...\Omega\omega$ Greek for the Lutheran Armchair Theologian

GLAT meets on Mondays at 1:15 pm. If you were hesitant to come or feel the class is too far along to catch up, don't let that stop you! Everyone is welcome to poke their heads in for a day, or give it a longer try. Come for one session to see and hear the New Testament in its original language. While we are studying grammar, we're also reading one or two verses from the Sunday gospel and epistle lessons and discussing these more like a Bible study. Even you don't like diagramming sentences, your sure to enjoy a deeper study of the Biblical texts.



Life Thoughts

September 24 – Pentecost XVII (Proper 20A) – Abortion and euthanasia begrudge God's generosity (Matthew 20:15) by regarding one life as less than another. Thank the Lord that His ways are not our ways (Isaiah 55:8), for none of us deserves to survive! Yet He preserves and protects us still, just as much as our every neighbor. O Lord, make us bold to speak Your Word of Life without fear (Philippians 1:14)!



Trinity Lutheran Church choir practices will resume on Sunday, September 24, 2023 at 6:00 pm in the

church overflow area.

Stewardship & Scripture

September 24 – Proper 20
Matthew 20:9 – "And when those hired about the eleventh hour came, each of them received a denarius." Behold the generosity of God! He gives out of His grace, not what we deserve to receive. Living a godly life means living in imitation of God — and surely one of the foundations of God's being is His generosity.

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

Nut Sales—Coming Soon!



The Mary Martha Guild will be taking orders for nuts in October. We will offer an assortment of plain and chocolate-covered nuts, pretzels, raisins, and

gummies. The nuts and treats are great for baking, snacking, and also make wonderful gifts. Your order will be ready for pickup in November. An order form will be included in the *Trinity Weekly News* next month. The profits from our nut sales are used to sponsor various missions that Mary Martha chooses.



9 . 3 0 . 2 0 2 3 Start at 7:00 pm UPPER PARKING LOT FIELD

2201 W Rollins Rd. Columbia Mo

MOVIE: Lyle, Lyle Crocodile

Don't forget to bring your blankets and lawn chairs!



Come and worship with us! Sundays at 8 & 10:30 Mondays at 6PM



To the Ends of the Earth

Sunday, October 1, 2023

2:00 pm

(Registration begins at 1:00 pm)

\$3.00

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church 120 W. Gano Chance Road Centralia, MO

Presentation from mission team members who hosted VBS in Brochet Manitoba this summer with Lutheran Association of Missionaries and Pilots Inc.

Ingathering

warm scarves, hats, gloves or mittens and socks to be taken to Brochet next year (suggestion of a max. of 20 of each item per society)

You will be my witnesses....to the ends of the earth.

Acts. 1:8

Lutheran Women in Mission



Jesus looked at them and said, "With man this is impossible, but with God all things are possible."

-Matthew 19:26

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Saturday, October 14: Trivia Night

Sunday, October 29: Trunk or Treat

Sunday, November 12: Service Project & Friendsgiving

Sunday, December 17: Cookie Decorating & Christmas Party

Trivia Night is just 3 weeks away!

Check out all the details



and register with Pastor McCalley.

YOUTH GROUP INVITES YOU TO OUR SECOND ANNUAL

TRIVA

- **♦ STARTS AT 5PM**
- **♦ TABLES INCLUDE SNACKS**
- **♦ DINNER AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE**
- ♦ PRIZES FOR TOP 3 TEAMS

Format

- ♦ 6 Rounds of 7 questions
- ♦ Final round with wager
- ♦ Mulligans \$4 per question

Recommended Team Size 4-6

Registration Cost \$20/Table

PROCEEDS WILL GO TOWARD ADOPTING A CHILD FOR CHRISTMAS AT COYOTE HILL

Please submit the following information, any and all questions, to revmccalley@trinity-lcms.org by October 12, 2023:

*Team Name
*Team Captain
*Name/Phone/Email
*Names of Team Members

Looking for a team? Reach out and we'll make sure you have one!





























Fellowship time has returned, with coffee and donuts from 9-9:30 am on Sunday mornings. **Join us in the Fellowship Hall!**

If you're interested in hosting, please see the sign up sheet on the bulletin board outside the church office. The handbell choir is looking for new ringers to join us.

Ages 4th grade and up are welcome, no experience required. Rehearsals are held most Sundays at 5 pm. If interested, please call or text Kimberly Walker at

Gifted For More

(708) 532-3358.

Research suggests that today only half of U.S. adults (46%) say they know or understand their own gifts, skills, and abilities. Come discover your gifts and the gifts of your neighborhood by coming to the Missouri Lutheran Laymen's League District Convention on Saturday, October 21 at St. Matthew Lutheran Church, 700 NE Chipman Road in Lee's Summit.

Our guest speaker Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler, Speaker of the Lutheran Hour® will be presenting "Gifted for More".

Lutheran Hour Ministries (LHM) – Madagascar director, Daniel Andriajanaka will share an update on LHM ministry efforts in Madagascar.

All are welcome to attend Saturday evening or Sunday morning Worship Services at St. Matthew to hear a special message from our guest preacher, Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler.

Doors open at 9:00 am with the convention beginning at 9:30 am. Lunch will be included with the convention concluding at 2:30 pm. Please register by October 16 for our meal and seat count.

Registration fee is \$15.00 per person (includes lunch).

Everyone is a gift, everyone has gifts, everyone is called, and everyone can grow.



The Life Team invites the congregation to Lunch and Learning! This event will be held on Sunday, October 8th after the late service at 12:15 p.m. Our speakers are Susan Klein and Sherry Lee from Missouri Right to Life. They will explain and discuss the initiative petitions which may be on the ballot in November of 2024. These petitions, if passed, will undo pro-life protections which have been put in place throughout the decades in Missouri to pro-

tect women and their unborn children. This is an urgent matter in pro-life Missouri; please come and be informed so that you can inform others. Please make plans to join us for lunch. The Life Team will be serving soup and dessert. No need to RSVP, just show up and enjoy a fine meal with fellow members. We are hoping many of you will be joining us. If you have questions, you may contact Phyllis White.

LFCS has an urgent need for diapers sizes 3 through 6 and also Pull Ups and wipes. Donations may be dropped off in the church cry room and a life team will deliver them. Thanks in advance for your generosity.

Blessings, the Life Team

Trinity Lutheran Church Endowment Funds

Trinity Lutheran Church started the Endowment Fund Program in 2007. The main endowment fund was first established with the purpose of providing a source for church improvements, building new property, scholarships, and missions. This fund currently has approximately &80,000. Generous contributions from church members have made this possible.

Two special funds were subsequently set up by two members who generously donated funds for youth programs and for education opportunities for Lutheran students pursuing church-related careers. These funds total approximately \$60,000.

Applications for these funds can be made in writing to the TLC Endowment Board. The application should include the person or organization name, amount requested, and purpose of the request. Final approval is made by the Board of Directors and the Voters Assembly.

Donations to these funds are graciously accepted by use of Trinity Lutheran Church's designated envelopes or by special requests for a special Christian purpose. To learn more about the TLC Endowment Program, please contact Gary Frisch, Chairman, or members Norm Gephardt and Rob Hall. You may contact the churc office for their contact information.

Galatians 6:9-10: "Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers."



Are you strugglina loved one or know someone who is?

Please consider joining our Grief Share group.

We will watch a video from GS each week & then have discussion (optional) after. The GS classes will be Thursday Sept 7th & each Thursday until Dec 7th, from 7pm-9pm.

To sign up, visit the GS website www.griefshare.org/findagroup.

Any questions, please call/text Kevin Burns (Facilitator) at (573) 424-7514.

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: Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost, October 1, 2023

Old Testament: Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32

- 1. How to understand the proverb in verse two? Nearly the same proverb occurs in Jeremiah 31:29. At the time of the Exile, the younger generation was furious with their parents for God's collective punishment against all the people of Israel. The fathers sinned (ate sour grapes) and the children suffered for it (set on edge = unbearable existence). This may seem unjust to fallen reason, but what do we hear in Exodus 20:5-6? How in Christ Jesus does God deal with the sins of an entire people group (Romans 3:23), yet also "individualize" accountability by way of Romans 10:10 and 14:12?
- 2. In verse three, there is a clear "Thus saith the LORD." The words come through His appointed servant, but it is to be understood as God Himself speaking directly to the people.
- 3. What was the complaint of the younger generation in verse 25?
- 4. Are vv.26-28 different from 33:7-9 that we heard three weeks ago?
- 5. Where is the gospel in verse 31? Where does God lament and grieve in verses 31-32?

Psalm 25:1-10; ant. v.4

Epistle: Philippians 2:1-18

- 6. How many times does Paul emphasize Christian unity in verses 2?
- 7. What is the mind of Christ? Answer: vv.6-8.
- 8. How do vv. 10 and 11 show Jesus' eternal kingship?
- 9. Is salvation worked out with fear and trembling? See Psalm 2:11-12 and 130:3-4. We fear God because of His almighty power, but love and rejoice in His salvation. Food for thought: why is Sunday worship reverent?
- 10. How does Paul uses his imprisonment as an appeal to Christian unity in vv.17-18?

Holy Gospel: Matthew 21:23-27, 28-32

- 11. Matthew 21 takes us to the events of Holy Week. What event opens chapter 21, v. 9?
- 12. Why did Jesus deny the Pharisees an answer? What had they failed to do according to Ez. 18:29-30?
- 13. What is the law in vv. 28-32? What is the gospel message vv. 28-32?

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

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CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFUO.org: Study Leviticus 23-27 on "The Holiness of God" on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8:00 a.m. CT), study Joshua 7-11 on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11:00 a.m. CT), and dig into Good Works in the Augsburg Confession on Concord Matters (9/30 at 10:00 a.m. CT). Find your favorite programs on demand at kfuo.org or the KFUO Radio app!





LAW & GOSPEL SERIES... What does St. Paul mean when he writes about "rightly handling the word of truth?" Issues, Etc., a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL, has an in-depth series with Pr. Will Weedon based on "The Proper Distinction Between Law & Gospel" by C.F.W. Walther. You can listen to the entire series at your convenience at issuesetc.org/lawandgospel.