2025

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August 2025 at a Glance

Aug 2 - UWF Yearbook Planning Meeting @ 9:30am

Aug 3 - Worship @ 9:45am, Adult Sunday School @ 10:50am

Aug 4 - Mission Team @ 6pm

Aug 6 - Lost & Found @ 1pm & @ 5:30pm, Choir @ 6pm

Aug 8 - Back 2 School Bash @ 5pm

Aug 9 - UWF Fundraiser Meeting @ 9:30am

Aug 10 - Worship @ 9:45am,

Adult Sunday School @ 10:50am

Aug 13 - Lost & Found @ 1pm & @ 5:30pm, Prayer Time @2pm, Choir @ 6pm

Aug 16 - Saturday Sisters @ 9:30am

Aug 17 - Worship @ 9:45am,

Adult Sunday School @ 10:50am

Aug 19 - Leadership Team @ 6pm

Aug 20 - Lost & Found @ 1pm & @ 5:30pm, Choir @ 6pm

Aug 21 - Storytime @ 10am, Dominoes @ 1pm

Aug 22 - Crafting for Christ @ 6pm

Aug 23 - Big Red Breakfast @ 8am

Aug 24 - Worship @ 9:45am,

Adult Sunday School @ 10:50am, Don & Millie's Sunday

Aug 27 - UWF Executive Board @ 10am, Lost & Found @ 1pm & @ 5:30pm, Prayer Time @2pm, Choir @ 6pm

Aug 28 - TLC Open House @ 4:30pm

Aug 31 - Worship @ 9:45am,

Adult Sunday School @ 10:50am



Back to School Bash

Mark your calendars for Trinity UMC Back to School bash on Friday, August 8th from 5-8 pm!

Trinity UMC is teaming up with Messiah Lutheran to offer a back to school night. Offered that night will be food trucks at Messiah Lutheran, Hygiene Kits here at Trinity, Socks and books at Messiah Lutheran, Lost and Found open at Trinity, games, sign up for activities and so much more.

Can you believe it is August?! Where has the summer gone? I have heard that question a lot this past week. I have even asked this question myself in the past week. They say time flies when you are having fun so July must have been a blast!

I think August can also fly because as I look at activities happening, it too is looking to be a blast. We kick off the fun on August 3rd with worship and communion. Then, on Friday August 8th we will share God's love by helping provide needed items for families going back to school. We will give away hygiene kits and haircuts. Lost & Found will be open for all needing clothes. August 10th we will be blessing backpacks during worship. Then, Sunday August 17th will be Sunday Funday at church. Worship will be about the self control it takes to share talents, the lessons learned at church camp, and a cookout and games after church. Then, on August 31st we will have a hymn sing on Labor Day weekend.

I truly love how we have so many ways to love the Lord and share our gifts. Life provides us with many opportunities to share the gifts of the Spirit. May you watch for the ways God is calling you to share as we support all with needs in their lives.

Pastor Tessa

Adult Sunday School

We are Pentecost People. The Bishops in the UMC are offering an 8 week study over what that means. All are welcome to join as we explore the work of the Holy Spirit in Adult Sunday School after church around 10:50am.

Church Fun Day

Sunday, August 17th will be a morning of church fun. During worship, kids will be sharing about camp and summer highlights, and backpacks will be blessed. Following worship will be games and a meal. The church will provide pulled pork sandwiches, baby ribs, and hotdogs. Please bring a side to share. Ice cream sundaes and popsicles will be dessert. Bring your favorite camp memories as we share together.

R&R resumes Sept 11th!

R&R is taking a break during the month of August, and will meet again starting on Thursday, September 11th at 6pm.



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Sunday Worship: 9:45am in person + online

Pastor: Rev Tessa Zehring

TLC Director: Megan Greise Media Director/Worship Leader: Matthew Hindley Choir Director: Chris King

Accompanist: Caleb Silcott Office Manager: Lowell Schlenker

Leadership Team Highlights

Highlights from the month of July Leadership Team Meeting:

- The air conditioner for the kitchen was replaced for \$5000. Money from the endowment fun will be used to cover this expense.
- 5 kids and Pastor Tessa went to camp at Camp Fontanelle this summer. UWF pays 1/3 of their fee and the church pays the rest (minus the registration fee). Thank you for making this possible for our kids.
- Youth Group started up in July with 3 youth from Trinity and 3 from Aldersgate UMC. More fun is coming. Turns out Rick and Tessa will pick something other than bowling next time!
- Teachers for Sunday School are needed. They will work with nursery leaders to share the message of Christ. A sign up sheet will be shared on August 17th.
- · The church is getting bids for tree removals.
- Lost & Found is grateful for those keeping this ministry going. The Wednesday evening time L&F is open might move to 2 Saturdays a month.
- An online church directory was approved. It will be password protected and monitored by the office.
 More info coming as it gets done.

Leadership Team Important Information:

Offerings as of 6/30/2025: \$142,391.00
Offerings as of 6/30/2024: \$91,259.38
Rental Income as of 6/30/2025: \$24,166.51
Rental Income as of 6/31/2024: \$13,933.93

Trinity Learning Center Enrollment: 22.5 Enrolled

Average church attendance for past year: 58.8

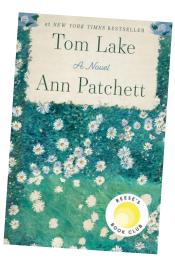
BIG RED BREAKFAST

SAT. AUGUST 23, 2025 @ 8AM

This year's Big Red Breakfast will be held on Saturday, August 23rd at 8:00 am in the Fellowship Hall. The guest speaker is former Husker player, Matt Vrzal. Call Steve Gage to reserve a spot at 402-212-8220.

Saturday Sisters Book Club

For August, Saturday Sisters Book Club has chosen *Tom Lake* by Ann Patchett for discussion. This novel is about family, love and growing up. It explores what it means to be happy even when the world is falling apart. All are welcome to join us on August 16th at 9:30am in Room 205.



<u>Dominoes</u>



Come play a hand or more of dominoes on Aug 21st from 1 - 3pm. Light refreshments provided. Trinity invites all in the community to fellowship together for an afternoon of fun. All are welcome!

Storytime

Aug 21st at 10am, join Kristi & Molly for Storytime! Stories, snacks, & activities spark imagination and the joy of reading! For ages 3-5 years old. Enter through the West doors under the awning.



Craft Night

Aug 22nd from 6 - 9pm is craft night. Mark your calendars now and get your projects ready! Don't have a project? Come and enjoy crafting, playing games, snacking, and building community together.

Sunday Evening Bible Study

The Sunday Evening Bible Study is on vacation for the summer.



Ralston Archives

The Frank & Velma Johnson Ralston Archives Museum will be open Aug 17th from 1 - 3pm. Stop by and check out Ralston's history.

Happy Birthday!

Would you like us to share your birthday with the church? Submit when your birthday is to the church office, and we will share it the week before it happens.

