

September 2025 at a Glance

Sept 1 - Labor Day, Office Closed
Sept 3 - Lost & Found @ 1pm, Choir @ 6pm
Sept 7 - Worship @ 9:45am,
Adult Sunday School @ 10:50am
Sept 8 - Mission Team @ 6pm
Sept 9 - Mary Circle @ 6:30pm
Sept 10 - Lost & Found @ 1pm, Prayer Time @ 2pm,
Choir @ 6pm
Sept 11 - Esther Circle @ 10am, R&R @ 6pm
Sept 13 - Lost & Found @ 10am
Sept 14 - Worship @ 9:45am,
Adult Sunday School @ 10:50am,
Sunday Night Bible Study @ 5:30pm
Sept 16 - TLC Board @ 5pm, Leadership Team @ 6pm
Sept 17 - Lost & Found @ 1pm, Choir @ 6pm
Sept 18 - Storytime @ 10am, Dominoes @ 1pm
Sept 20 - Saturday Sisters @ 9:30am
Sept 21 - Worship @ 9:45am,
Adult Sunday School @ 10:50am
(Directory Pictures)
Sept 24 - UWF Executive Board @ 10am,
Lost & Found @ 1pm, Prayer Time @ 2pm,
Choir @ 6pm
Sept 25 - R&R @ 6pm
Sept 26 - Crafting for Christ @ 6pm
Sept 27 - Trinity Men @ 8am, Lost & Found @ 10am
Sept 28 - Worship @ 9:45am,
Adult Sunday School @ 10:50am,
Don & Millie's Sunday, (Directory Pictures),
Sunday Night Bible Study @ 5:30pm

Church Directory Pictures

Trinity UMC is creating a new church directory. This will be a password protected online directory that will also be printed. You can bring a family photo to put in the directory, or on Sun, Sept 21st & Sept 28th Josh King, of Joshua King Photography Design, will be taking family and individual pictures before and after church.

Photos will be used for the directory and office use. However, you can also purchase family pictures from him. This might be a great time to get new pictures at a reasonable cost. Mark your calendars today!

Happy September! A person was quoted as saying, "If all my religion is going to change is my Sunday schedule, then I'm not interested." He goes on to say he wants something that is going to change all aspects of his life. The reality is religion will not change our lives. It will give us a goal and a purpose, but only faith in Christ, a longing for the kingdom of God to come to earth, and a belief that with Christ we can make a difference through love will change our lives.

This fall, we will be exploring ways we can work with Christ to make a difference in the world. We start with exploring what we believe and what difference having faith makes. Then, we will explore how we share with others through how we treat one another, what we do about money, and our relationships with our family.

I am excited to worship with you and keep growing in our faith. Who knows, we might just change a little bit of the world together! See you Sunday!

Pastor Tessa

Good Shepherd Open House

We are invited to Good Shepherd Funeral Home's grand opening open house on Tues, Sept 9th from 8am - 5pm. Located at 4712 S 82nd St. Take a tour of the facility, meet staff, and be entered for door prizes. You can also sign up to attend a presentation at 11am & 6pm by Pat Zalusky about planning ahead for your end of life wishes.

Good Shepherd is the funeral home who supports many of the ministries offered by Messiah Lutheran Church and Trinity UMC. They are a key sponsor in the Community Easter Egg Hunt. They will also be taking donations for Release Care Closet. They are a place that supports areas foster youth and families by providing clothing, shoes, toys, games, and baby supplies.

R&R

R&R resumes on Sept 11th. (Note, this is a Thursday night.) Come for an intergenerational time of Reflecting on Christ and Reviving our Faith! In September we will focus on Friends In Christ. How do we become friends in Christ? On Sept 11th we begin with remembering we love. Then we show that love to our neighbors on Sept 25th.

Can't wait to see you on September 11th.
Supper begins 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

Mission Notes

Lost & Found and Missions will meet on Mon, Sept 8th at 6pm in Fellowship Hall. We will continue through September to fill the boat with non-perishable food items. Starting in September, Lost & Found will close Wednesday nights and be open the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of the month from 10am to noon.

TLC

Announcing Trinity Learning Center's "Step Up to Quality" Approval! We're

thrilled to share that the Trinity Learning Center has received approval for our curriculum through Nebraska's "Step Up to Quality" program! This is a major achievement that reflects our commitment to providing the highest standard of early childhood education.

What does this mean?

"Step Up to Quality" is Nebraska's statewide rating system for early care and education programs. It offers an easy-to-understand rating (from one to five stars) to help parents choose quality programs. By participating, we're demonstrating our dedication to continuous improvement and excellence in the care and education we provide.

Storytime

Sept 18th 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.



Sunday Night Bible Study Resumes

On Sept 14th the Sunday Night Bible study over Zoom resumes with the book *With: Reimagining the Way You Relate to God* by Skye Jethani. This book is part of Kindle Unlimited or can be purchased online.

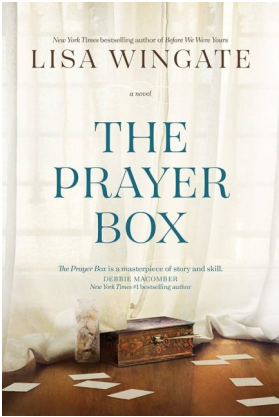
This study will go with the worship services as it explores ways we live our lives for, under, over, from, and with God. This is a book that explores how our culture affects our faith. Come see with new eyes what it means to be a Christian and have faith.

Craft for Christ

Sept 26th from 6 - 9pm is craft night. Regardless of if you have a project or not, come and enjoy crafting, playing games, snacking, and building community together.

Saturday Sisters Book Club

Saturday Sisters Book Club will meet on Sept 20th at 9:30am in Room 205. We do read the entire book ahead of time, but feel free to join us even if you haven't read the book. This month we have chosen *The Prayer Box* by Lisa Wingate.



After 91 year old Lola Poole passes away, Tandri Jo Reese discovers 81 prayer boxes. These boxes contain the story of Lola's lifetime written on random bits of paper that could change everything for Tandri.

Dominoes



Come play a hand or more of dominoes on Sept 18th from 1 - 3pm. Light refreshments provided. Trinity invites all in the community to fellowship together for an afternoon of fun. All are welcome!

UWF Fall District Meeting

The Eastern Nebraska District UWF Fall Meeting will be Sat, Sept 27th from 9am - 1:30pm at Springfield UMC (480 Main St., Springfield NE). Please bring \$10 for lunch. Guest speakers will be Lisa Maupin and Leah Wandera. RSVP by Sun, Sept 21st to Kris Eschliman at 402-250-3263 or email kris.eschliman@gmail.com.

Leadership Team Highlights

Highlights from the Leadership Team Meeting include:

- The management and future of the rental house.
- Nominations for Leadership Team, SPPRC, and the TLC Board.
- Funeral dinners and building maintenance needs.
- Lost & Found's new hours.
- A new church directory is being created.

Leadership Team Important Information:

Offerings as of 7/31/2025:	\$155,611.10
Offerings as of 7/31/2024:	\$119,025.10
Rental Income as of 7/31/2025:	\$24,941.51
Rental Income as of 7/31/2024:	\$17,038.41
• Trinity Learning Center Enrollment: 19 Enrolled (<i>This number is down because of kids going to school</i>)	
• Average church attendance for past year: 60.8	



Ralston Archives

The Frank & Velma Johnson Ralston Archives Museum will be open Sept 21st 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.

