

Trinity Lutheran Church

ANNOUNCEMENTS

July 20-26

Genesis 18:1-15 (page 10 of the Old Testament)

Colossians 1:15-28 (page 155 of the New Testament)

Luke 10:38-42 (page 55 of the New Testament)

The flowers on the altar are given by Judy and Maynard Chaussee in memory of Kevin.

Live Stream Worship Service—A reminder that both Sunday services are live-streamed on our website (tlcmidland.org), available on You Tube (TLCMid3701), and Facebook (facebook.com/MidlandTLC). Please be aware that you may be seen on camera as you go forward for the children's message or communion.

New Member Information Session—Whether you're new to our congregation or just want to learn more about who we are and what we believe, we invite you to join us for a New Members' Information Session. We will meet today between services in the Chapel. Learn about our mission, beliefs and ministries, meet some awesome church members, ways to get connected and involved and ask any questions you may have. New members will be welcomed into the congregation on Sunday, July 27.

Free Rummage Sale: There will be two free rummage sales held on August 16 and September 13, from 9:00-2:00. No additional donations are being accepted at this time.



Epic Water Gun Battle---Join us Sunday, August 10th from 5-7pm. Water fun for all ages! Middle and High School youth will battle in the backyard (water guns provided, but you can bring your own); Elementary and Preschool kids will be set up in the front yard with water games.

Everyone is welcome! Following the water fun, we will provide hot dogs, hamburgers, and lemonade. Please bring a dish to pass.



Blessing of Backpacks – Saturday, August 16th and Sunday, August 17th. In preparation for the new school year, bring your backpack to be blessed! We will pray over all students (young and old!), teachers, and school employees at the three weekend services.



PJ'S AND PANCAKES will be held on Saturday, **October 4** beginning at 9:30 (The incorrect date was listed last week). Watch for additional information.

COMING SOON-----



3rd ANNUAL IGNITE KICK-OFF—Wednesday, September 10. 5:15pm dinner with tailgate food, bounce houses, Chocolate Chip Cookie Bake Off. More details are coming soon. If you would like to help with meals, please sign up on the board near the nursery.

NEW WOMEN'S MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES COMING! Ladies, we're excited to announce new opportunities to grow together in faith, fellowship, and service! Whether you're new to church or have been here for years, there's a place for you.



CHARCUTERIE BOARD BUILDING & MIXER, Sunday, September 14, 5:00-7:00pm. More details soon.



WOMEN'S RETREAT in Bay City, Saturday & Sunday, October 18-19, 2:00pm-11:30am.
More details are coming soon.

If you are interested in helping with the planning or just being a part of this wonderful group, please sign up on the board near the nursery. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Jeff or Jen Mishic (989.798.7752).

SUMMER BIBLE STUDY: Welcome and LGBTQIA+ Identities (Gathering Room)

Christians are called to share the love of Jesus with all the world. As part of an exploration of how Trinity understands welcome within our congregation, Vicar Tim will lead a summer Bible study on LGBTQIA+ identities. Jesus' vision of community is expansive, so even in times when our larger society feels anxious, we Christians are called to pause, to learn, and to listen.

While focused in many ways on LGBTQIA+ identities, this Bible study also will examine questions of how to translate and interpret scripture across history. It will be a chance to put into practice some of the Lutheran approaches to reading the Bible that we learned about last fall as part of our Ignite education program. It also will be an opportunity to wrestle faithfully with the nuances and ambiguities of language.

The Bible study will begin on Wednesday, June 25th at 6 PM, with a repeat of each session on the following Sunday night. The sessions run for 6 weeks, but there will be a break on July 16th and 20th while Vicar Tim visits family out of state. The last Wednesday will be August 6th and the last Sunday, August 10th.

Please note, there will be no meal in the hour beforehand since there is no Ignite program through the summer.

- Week 4—"Stories of Christian Acceptance"—Wednesday, July 23rd and Sunday, July 27th

Key scripture passages: Deuteronomy 22.1-12 & 23.1-8; Isaiah 56; Matthew 19.1-12; Acts 8.26-40.

- Week 5—"What about the Prohibitions?"—Wednesday, July 30th and Sunday, August 3rd

Key scripture passages: Leviticus 18, 20, & 25; Romans 1; 1 Corinthians 5-6; 1 Timothy 1.

- Week 6—"God's Knowledge of Us"—Wednesday, August 6th and Sunday, August 10th

Key scripture passages: To be announced.



Rockin' Oldies Beach Party Boys Musical Show & Noon Lunch at Zehnder's in Frankenmuth on Thursday, September 18th! The show is fast paced and interactive with a focus on lots

of nostalgia to those of us who remember the music of the 60's and 70's! The harmony of the Beach Boys, Jan and Dean and others popular in that era will entertain you and bring back some good memories. Doors open at 11:30 am for the \$61/person event which includes your chicken meal, beverages, dessert, tax, tip and entertainment. Transportation (limit of 14) will be by our church van, or you can drive yourself so you can spend some extra time in Frankenmuth. **Payment (checks payable to Trinity Lutheran Church) must be made at the time you sign up** on the reservation sheet located on the wall near the nursery door across from the lobby Welcome Desk. Envelopes will be provided for your payment. **Please place the envelope in the drop box by the office.** We only have a reservation for 30 people for this event sponsored by our XYZ group. The deadline is Friday, August 1st or earlier if all 30 tickets are sold.



The Coffee and Conversation Group will meet on Monday at 1:00pm at Stranded Yarn and Coffee. Tuesday mornings you are invited to join them at 9:00am at Stranded Yarn and Coffee



Need a prayer? We all go through circumstances from time to time where we could use an extra prayer or someone to listen. Trinity Lutheran has Stephen Ministers throughout the congregation who are trained to provide prayer, care, and comfort. If you find yourself needing a little extra care today, please stop in the Hearth Room after the service. A Stephen Minister will be there to share a prayer with you.

Open Door – We are looking for help with making and serving lunch on Wednesday, July 23rd. We arrive about 9:30, make lunch, and serve it. We are usually done around 1:30pm. If you are interested in helping, please contact Lee Smith at (989) 415-5020.

MAKING CONNECTIONS

One of the many ways we make connections with God and with others is through the gift of Bible Study! Consider joining one this week.

WEDNESDAYS

- ***Sunday's Coming Bible Study*** meets on Wednesday. Come join us as we look at lessons for the coming weekend and enjoy a lively discussion. This group meets at 10:00 am in the hearth room.
- ***Summer Bible Study*** meets Wednesday evening at 6:00pm in the Gathering room.

SUNDAYS

- ***Summer Bible Study*** (a repeat of the Wednesday class) meets Sunday at 6:00pm in the Gathering Room.

TRINITY YOUTH INFORMATION:



Middle and High School Youth Group Kayaking Trip, float the lower Chippewa River: July 27th at 2:30pm. We will meet at the Tridge and shuttle up to the starting point from there. Kayaks are provided, and you choose from sit-in, sit-on-top, or tandem kayaks. If anyone has their own Kayak they would like to bring, they can do that as well. The whole trip should take between 1-2 hours. A sign-up sheet will be posted soon for those interested.



PRAYER REQUESTS



Remember in your prayers this week: Max, Dwight, Sara, Dick, Dean, Katie, Mike, Jen, Kevin

Also, those suffering with cancer: Gabby.

In the face of disaster, our congregation, through Lutheran Disaster Response, shares relief today and builds resilience for tomorrow.

Flooding is one of the most common natural disasters in the United States. Across the country, we support communities as they recover from devastating floodwaters. LDR collaborates with synods and partners to address urgent needs, offer emotional and spiritual support, facilitate long-term recovery (including disaster case management and addressing unmet needs), and provide educational training to synods and partners in affected regions.

Here in Midland, we are acutely aware of the destructive power of flooding. A portion of your regular offering already supports Lutheran Disaster Response, addressing disasters in the US and around the world. Our church's gifts to LDR support our commitment to share healing and renewal with people whose lives have been disrupted by disaster. Together we reflect Christ's light and hope to our neighbors in their time of need. If you wish to give beyond your offering to LDR, use this link:

https://give.elca.org/page/85307/donate/1?utm_medium=email&utm_source=engagingnetworks&utm_campaign=utm_campaign&utm_content=070525+LDR+Texas+Flooding+e-Alert+-+Core&ea.url.id=3753224&forwarded=true

Stewardship Update
Attendance for July 12/13: 245 in person 514 live-stream
Received: \$ 28,102.00

Unified Fund Income (from Offerings & Donations) &
Expenses (aligned to the budget - Operations, Benevolence, Resources, Education, etc.):

June 2025
(Unified Fund Only*)

Income:	\$	77,690
Expenses:	\$	<u>127,406</u>
	\$	-49,716

YTD through June 2025
(Unified Fund & YTD Investment Return*)

Income:	\$	470,740
Investment Return:	\$	94,756
Expenses:	\$	<u>597,035</u>
	\$	-31,539

*Not included: Dedicated Fund and Trinity Trust Fund balances

If there are any questions, please contact Council Treasurer, Peder Danielsen.

Calendar
July 20-27

	Sunday, July 20			Thursday, July 24
8:45am	Traditional Worship Service		9:00am	Quilting Workshop
9:45am	New Member Information Session		10:00am	Pre-School Playgroup
10:30am	Contemporary Worship Service		7:00pm	Recovery Group
	Monday, July 21			Friday, July 25
9:30am	Senior Yoga		9:30am	Senior Yoga
10:30am	DNMM Peer Meeting			
1:00pm	Coffee at Stranded Yarn/Coffee			Saturday, July 26
7:00pm	Midland Serenity Group		2:00pm	Fred Hawkins Funeral in Sanford
			5:00pm	Worship Service
	Tuesday, July 22			Sunday, July 27
9:00am	Coffee at Stranded Yarn/Coffee		8:45am	Traditional Worship Service
11:00am	Kiwassee Kiwanis		10:30am	Contemporary Worship Service
12:00pm	Staff Meeting		2:30pm	Youth Kayaking Outing
5:30pm	Not Quite Home Band		6:00pm	Summer Bible Study
	Wednesday, July 23			
9:30am	Cooking at Open Door			
10:00am	Bible Study			
12:00pm	Disability Network			
6:00pm	Summer Bible Study			
7:00pm	Recovery Group			