

Trinity Lutheran Church

ANNOUNCEMENTS

September 7-13

Deuteronomy 30:15-20 (page 145 of the Old Testament)

Philemon 1-21 (page 169 of the New Testament)

Luke 14:25-33 (page 59 of the New Testament)

The flowers on the altar are given by Karen Oswald in memory of Max and Jessie Oswald.

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 up for the children's message or communion.

Baptized in Christ this weekend is Theodore Edward Holzhauer, son of Mark and Ashley Holzhauer. Please remember to pray for Theodore Edward and his family as he joins the Kingdom of God.



Visioning Trinity's Future Survey-- Give us your feedback. The Visioning Trinity's Future (VTF) Team wants to hear from you! Please take a moment to fill out this anonymous survey: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/MH9T95F>. Paper copies are available in the lobby/narthex. Help us gather more than 100 surveys.



Beautiful children of God, I've been waiting to say thank you until we had an update to share. That took longer than I expected. A reminder that God's timing doesn't always match ours! Thank you for the wonderful send off in March. I hold many cherished Trinity memories in my heart.

We have relocated and our new address is 2221 Gallberry Ln., Waxhaw, NC 28173.

We (Ben, Caroline, Isaac and I) are slowly unpacking and learning our new community.

Abigail is settled and thriving at Under of Alabama.

Thank you for your support and love for the past 9 years! Continued prayer for all Trinity is and des! God's blessings abound, Pastor Danielle



God's Work, Our Hands will be Sunday, September 28, 1:00-3:00pm. We will be working at the Arnold Center, The Children's Grief Center, Midland Open Door, and with our own Trinity Quilters. Please see the sign-up sheets in the Narthex.



53rd Annual Midland Area CROP Hunger Walk on October 5, 2025.

Over the past 52 years, Midlander's have raised well over \$1.3 million dollars of which 25% remained in the Midland area. Join our Trinity walk team or register yourself and walk to help end hunger one step at a time. Volunteers Needed! Sign up at the board at the

board near the nursery. For additional information, please contact Joe Johnson at jjohnson@tlcmidland.org.



Chancel Choir Rehearsals will begin on Thursday, September 4, at 7:00pm in the Choir room.

JuBELLation Handbell Choir Rehearsals will begin on Monday, September 8, at 7:00pm in the Bell Room.

If you are interested in joining the choir or handbells, please contact Jonathan Lonsway.



True Spirit Singers will begin their season with a rehearsal on Tuesday, September 9, at 7:00pm in the choir room. We welcome all who enjoy singing light, gospel-type music. Our rehearsals are the 2nd, 4th, (and 5th, if there is one) Tuesdays of each month. We usually sing for the 5:00 Saturday worship service once a month. Come Join Us! If you have questions, please contact Marijean Fitzgerald at 989.430.2706.



Get Ready! Trinity's Vision Journey

God is writing our next chapter at Trinity—and we want every voice in the room. In the weeks ahead, we'll launch a church-wide visioning process to shape a Spirit-led strategic plan for our future. We'll pray, listen, dream, and decide together so our ministries reflect where God is calling us in this season. Pastor Mike Rinehart will be leading us through this process. He will be here September 14-15 to preach at all worship services and meet the people of Trinity Lutheran church. Following worship there will be some lunch and a chance for some conversation about the future together. Please plan on joining us. Also, make sure you complete the survey using the QR code you will see in the announcements or a paper copy available at the Welcome Desk. Also, make sure the church has your correct email address.



Do you love children? Are you passionate about science or cooking? Do you enjoy telling stories? I have a place for you! I am looking for volunteers for both Kids Praise on Sunday mornings and Ignite on Wednesday nights. Kids Praise is a 20-minute commitment within the Sunday morning service (the kids leave the service after the Children's Message, talk about the Bible story, participate in an activity, and return to the service by the Offering). On Wednesday nights from 6-7, the kids experience a Bible story through science, games, cooking, crafts, and more! If you are willing to help, even just once in a while, please let me know. Thank you, Melanie – mlonsway@tlcmidland.org



The Third Annual Chocolate Chip Cookie Bake-Off is almost here! September 10. Start perfecting your recipe! Participants are to bake two dozen cookies. Please text Emily Danielsen with questions at 989.259.8048. Sign-ups will be in the narthex beginning this weekend.



Charcuterie Board Mixer—Ladies, join us on Sunday, September 14, from 5:00-7:00pm at the 2205 Ramble Lane for fun and fellowship with other Trinity women. This event includes a tutorial on how to assemble a charcuterie board, charcuterie snacks and beverages to enjoy, a custom-made charcuterie board to take home as a memento. The cost is \$15 and you can sign up at the board by the Nursery.

Women's Retreat—Wrestling With God-Building on the Story of Jacob will be held on October 18-19 at the Courtyard Hotel in Bay City. You will find more information about this exciting opportunity in the brochure available at the Sign-Up Board near the nursery.

Free Rummage Sale: There will be a free rummage sale held on September 13, from 9:00-2:00. Donations are accepted until Friday, September 5. Volunteers are needed to organize things and/or help during the day of the sale. If you have any questions, contact Sandy Avery—989.600.8702

New Member Class: The next New Member Class will be held on Sunday, October 5th at 10:00 in the chapel. We look forward to seeing you there and welcoming you with open arms!



Trinity Music Academy

Join us to learn music, handbells, drums, and more!
Kindergarten – 5th Grade
Fall Session starts on Wednesday, September 17th,
4:00-5:15 pm
Use QR code to register.



THIRD ANNUAL IGNITE KICK-OFF—Wednesday, September 10. 5:15 pm dinner with tailgate food, bounce houses, Chocolate Chip Cookie Bake Off.



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, September 10. 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.

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.



Sunday School will begin on Sunday, September 21st from 10:00 – 10:45 am (between the two services). Watch for more information to follow.

The Adult Sunday School class will reconvene on Sunday, September 21 at 10 am (between services) in the Hearth Room. Please join us as we begin the year with a new program!

Confirmation Class will begin on Wednesday, September 17 at 6:00pm. We will also meet on Sundays at 10:00am.

Beginning its 14th year, the Trinity Women's Lifegroup is excited to kick off for Fall on Sunday, Sept 21 at 10 am in the conference room. ALL women of ALL ages are welcome to join us. Our strength is in the diversity of ages and life experiences as we gather to grow, connect, and pray together. We are a no homework group, currently exploring several video choices to watch and discuss. Each week is a new topic which lends itself to joining whenever it works for your schedule. We will always make room for new faces around the table. Questions? Please reach out to Heidi Lang, call or text 517.930.5037.



PRAYER REQUESTS



Remember in your prayers this week: Jaye, Ruthie, Kay, jeff, Nichole, Steve, Carol, Eric, Jennifer, Kelly, Noreen, Jen, Kevin, Lori, Ajay, Bob, Jim, Aud, and Bengie.

Also, those suffering with cancer: Sharon, Julie, Pam, Gabby, Laurie, Craig, Jeff, Barb, Mason, Bob, Kirt, Amber, Renee, Terri, Mookie, Erin, Barb, Tracey, and Sue.

Stewardship Update

Attendance for August 30/31: 177 in person 0 live-stream

Received: \$ 5319.00

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

July 2025 (Unified Fund Only*)	
Income:	\$ 89,386
Expenses:	<u>\$ 64,531</u>
	\$ 24,855

YTD through July 2025 (Unified Fund & YTD Investment Return*)	
Income:	\$ 560,126
Investment Return:	\$ 163,771
Expenses:	<u>\$ 661,566</u>
	\$ 62,331

*Not included: Dedicated Fund and Trinity Trust Fund balances

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

**Calendar
September 7-14**

	Sunday, September 7			Thursday, September 11
8:45am	Traditional Worship Service		9:00 am	Quilting Workshop
11:00am	Contemporary Worship Service		9:15am	Community Assist Meeting
12:15pm	Listening in Love		10:00 am	Pre-school Playgroup
			12:00pm	Kiwanis Board Meeting
	Monday, September 8		7:00pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
	Pre-School classes begin		7:00pm	Recovery Group
9:30am	Senior Yoga			
1:00pm	Coffee at Stranded Yarn & Coffee			Friday, September 12
7:00pm	JuBELLation Rehearsal		9:30 am	Senior Yoga
7:00 pm	Midland Serenity Group			
7:00pm	Scout Troop 760			Saturday, September 13
			9:00am	Free Rummage Sale
	Tuesday, September 9		9:30am	Strings of Praise
9:00 am	Coffee at Stranded Yarn/Coffee		11:00am	Baby Shower
11:00 am	Kiwassee Kiwanis		5:00 pm	Worship Service
12:00 pm	Staff Meeting			
5:30pm	Church Council			Sunday, September 14
7:00pm	True Spirit Singers Rehearsal		8:45 am	Traditional Worship Service
			11:00am	Contemporary Worship Service
	Wednesday, September 10		5:00pm	Women's Ministry—Making a Charcuterie Board
9:30am	Cooking at Open Door			
10:00 am	Bible Study			
12:00 pm	Disability Network			
5:15pm	Ignite Kick-Off			
7:00 pm	Recovery Group			