



Trinity Trumpet

*Trinity Lutheran Church
Springfield, Missouri
August 2025*



WELCOME TO OUR TRINITY FAMILY!

MISSION STATEMENT

The family of Trinity Lutheran Church welcomes all people to share in the life of the Christian faith in worship, friendship, and service.

OUR CORE VALUES

Faithfulness to God's Word . . . Integrity . . .
Compassion . . . Family focused . . . Engagement in
Service . . . Welcoming to all people . . . Fiscal
responsibility & stewardship

VISION STATEMENT

The family of Trinity builds and nurtures the bonds of faith through love, learning, and sharing with others.

OUR CRITICAL TARGETS

Faithful Worship . . . Christian Education . . . Healthy
Christian Homes . . . Caring Relationships in Christ . .
Robust Community Connectivity & Outreach

Christian Education Sunday



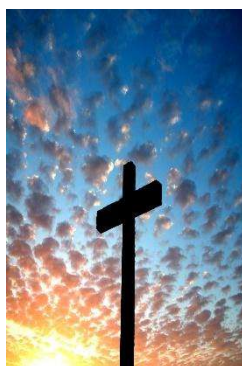
Rally Sunday

August 17, 2025

9:30 a.m. – Meet the Teacher – Grade Promotion

12:30 p.m. – Church Picnic

Trinity Lutheran Church
1415 South Holland
Springfield, Missouri
65807
Phone: 417-866-5878
Fax: 417-866-5629
www.trinity-springfield.org



TO GOD ALONE BE THE GLORY!

- † ***Devoted to Jesus Christ,
the Son of God and the Savior
and Lord of the World***
- † ***Devoted to God's Word,
teaching the pure doctrines of
the faith***
- † ***Devoted to the Sacraments of
Holy Baptism and Holy
Communion, through which
the Holy Spirit blesses God's
people with His presence and
His gifts.***
- † ***Devoted to Christian
Fellowship and to loving and
caring for each other***
- † ***Devoted to sharing the Gospel
with all people***

(Acts 2:42)

To contact our staff, call the church office or
Email: tlcoffice@trinitylutheranspf.org

- + Rev. Dr. Nicholas Hagerman, Pastor
nhagerman@trinitylutheranspf.org
- + Mr. Caleb Staehr, Director of Parish Music
cstaehr@trinitylutheranspf.org
- + Mr. Daniel Duffy, Director of Christian
Education (DCE)
dduffy@trinitylutheranspf.org
- + Mrs. Hannah Knehans, Director of Family Life
Ministry (DFLM)
hknehans@trinitylutheranspf.org
- + Mrs. Angela Bruton, Office Manager
abruton@trinitylutheranspf.org
- + Mrs. Amy Scheer, Administrative Assistant
ascheer@trinitylutheranspf.org

Officers President: Curt Brand Vice Pres: Daniel Straw Secretary: Angie Reitmeier Treasurer: Amy Collins Asst. Treas: Larry Zahn	Mission & Ministry Council Ev. & Mission: Laura McCune Christian Care: Dick & Jan McGuire Fellowship: Melinda Brown Stewardship: Jen Gabathuler Endowment: Ann Marie Baker Trustee: Jeff Winter Personnel: Jason Jones Parish Ed.: Heather Newman Elders: Kevin Scheer Family Ministry: Jen Larson Age-Based Ministry: Paul Hambrick	Your Board of Elders Zone 1 (A/Bo) Johnny Dicks Zone 2 (Br/C) Tim Peters Zone 3 (DE) Cary Watson Zone 4 (FG) Mark Jones Zone 5 (HIJ) Brock Buerck Zone 6 (KL) Josh Sexton Zone 7 (M) Zack Peters Zone 8 (NOP) Clate Baker Zone 9 (QR) Phillip Hackley Zone 10 (S/Se) David Mitchell Zone 11 (Sh/T) Kevin Scheer Zone 12 (UVWXYZ) Steve Otto	Your Board of Parish Education Chair: Matt Lundien Member/ABS: Zeke Young Member: Patrice Winter Sunday School: Linda Young Midweek School: Heather Newman VBS: Claire Hagerman
--	--	--	--

Our Trinity Family Stewardship – July 27, 2025

Attendance: 8:15 a.m. 145	Previous week: 178
11:00 a.m. 194	131

Tithes and Offerings:

Undesignated (General) Offerings	\$ 8,333.38
<u>Designated Gifts</u>	
Debt Reduction \$ 211.00	R&R Fund \$ 200.00
Christian Care \$ 800.00	Gym Roof \$ 200.00
Bus Expense \$ 14.00	Portals of Prayer \$ 24.00
Evangelism-Sunshine Elem \$ 150.00	Community Mission-SLHS \$ 10.00
	<u>Total \$ 1,609.00</u>
	Total Gifts \$ 9,942.38

Sunday School and Adult Bible Class Attendance for July 27

Preschool: 11	Jr. High: 5
Elementary: 27	Adults/Teachers: 80

FROM the PASTOR

Dear Trinity Family,

Greetings to you in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ! For this month's edition of the Trumpet, I would like to highlight the wonderful blessing that God has given to the Lutheran Church in Springfield by allowing us to open a new Lutheran high school here in less than two weeks. As many of you are aware, this high school project has been in the works for over a year and a half, and very soon, we will see the fruits of our labors. Wednesday, August 13 will be the first day of school at Springfield Lutheran High School, and it will begin with a celebratory opening service in Trinity's sanctuary at 8:30 AM. Everyone from the community is invited to this service, including all Trinity members. Our guest preacher will be Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler, the Speaker of the Lutheran Hour and former member of Trinity. Following the service, there will be a formal opening of the education building for the school, a reception in the gym, and a tour of the campus, after which the students and teachers will begin their inaugural school year. It will be a great celebration for our congregation and our community, and I hope that you will join us if you can!

Of course, starting a school can only happen through the hard work and dedication of many different people, some of whom I'd like to highlight in this article. First of all, Stephanie Grandestaff, the Executive Director of SLHS (and an alumna of SLS) has put in countless hours planning, organizing, communicating, and doing all kinds of other things of which I'm probably not even aware. Her work in handling the business side of things has been indispensable to making sure the school can launch this year.

I'd also like to acknowledge Tim Zeigler, the school's inaugural principal, and a member of Trinity whom most of you know well. He brings a wealth of experience as a certified Lutheran teacher and former public school principal to this project, and his expertise has helped us to ensure that the academic, social, and spiritual aspects of the school are where they need to be. We are so thankful that he was willing to take on this responsibility, and we are excited to see how things progress under his watch.

SLHS's Board of Directors has also had a lot of work to do in getting the school launched, with many meetings that have gone multiple hours into the evening. This group of volunteers has been highly dedicated and supportive of the entire venture, and we could not have done it without them. I myself serve as the Board's pastoral advisor, and the voting members of the Board consist of Danielle Nagel (President), Pastor Dave Benson (Vice-President), Brock Buerck (Secretary), John Yoo (Treasurer), Pastor Jarod Koenig, Ken Sprenger, and Brenda Owen. Former members who also made many contributions include Nicole Carr (President) and Amy Schafer (Treasurer). I am so thankful to all of these individuals for their hard work in making the school's launch a success.

I would also like to thank the members of Trinity for their willingness to host the school on our campus. You have all been quite generous and accommodating with our facilities and equipment, and starting the first school year this fall would not have been possible without Trinity's involvement. I know that the leadership of SLHS is committed to respecting Trinity's facilities and making sure that the school's presence does not disrupt Trinity's activities or ministries. This is a wonderful opportunity that we have as a congregation to support Lutheran education in Springfield, and it gives me great joy that we have so enthusiastically embraced it.

As far as I am aware, this high school project is the third attempt to bring a Lutheran high school to Springfield. The previous two attempts failed for various reasons, but it has remained a dream for many Lutherans in this area to start a high school here, despite the setbacks. I am so delighted that this third attempt has proven successful, and that we are poised to begin a historic inaugural school year in just a few weeks. God has truly blessed this school project, and has blessed the Lutheran Church in Springfield with it as well. I ask that you would all join me in praying for the continued success of the school, so that it might grow and expand, become financially stable, and eventually obtain its own facilities. I also ask that you would pray with me that the Gospel of Jesus Christ would be taught in all of its truth and purity at SLHS, and that the school would never forget that its mission is primarily to proclaim that Gospel and God's Word in all of its fulness. May God bless Trinity Lutheran Church and SLHS with harmony, cooperation, and a shared purpose and mission as we begin this new school year together!

In Christ,
Pastor Hagerman

Adult Bible Study (ABS)

SUNDAY

Time	Topic	Leader	Location
9:45 AM	Bible Reading Journey	Pastor Todd Biermann	Gym
9:45 AM	Luke	Bob Quebbeman	Woker Room
9:45 AM	The Stuff they Didn't Teach Me in Sunday School (resumes Sept. 7)	Zeke Young	Family Room
9:45 AM	Senior High Youth	Josh Sexton	Youth Room, West Wing

MONDAY

9:30 AM	Born of Woman (no class Aug 4; final session Aug. 11)	Dakotah Gumm	Family Room
---------	---	--------------	-------------

WEDNESDAY

6:30 PM	Luther's Catechisms	Ed & Jen Larson/Mr. Duffy	Family Room
---------	---------------------	---------------------------	-------------

Adult Bible Class Descriptions

Luke – In the Book of Luke, Jesus teaches us about how to live our life. Through parables, he teaches us how to treat one another and live in the world with kindness and humility. In Luke, we also learn about what Jesus holds in high regard. That he has love for the afflicted and the sinners. This class is led by Dr. Bob Quebbeman.

Ruth, 1 Samuel & 2 Samuel – We will pick back up this study: *The Stuff They didn't Teach Me In Sunday School...About the Exodus!* LHM Executive Director Bruce Wurdeman takes the viewer on a whirlwind tour of this formative period in Israel's development. With an eye to detail, he notes the rise of Moses, Israel's bondage under Pharaoh, the havoc God wreaked through the ten plagues, Israel's exit to the Sinai, and its 40-year romp in the wilderness with Moses at the helm. This series ends with Moses, the mighty Levite, a prophet without rival "whom the LORD knew face to face" (Deuteronomy 34:10b), being laid to rest in Moab. The torch has now passed to Joshua. This class is facilitated by Zeke Young.

High School Bible Study-Josh Sexton teaches our High School Students (9th-12th grade).

Born of Woman – Led by Dakotah Gumm, this bible study for the women of the congregation will explore the genealogy of Christ, and will meet June 2- August 11 at 9:30 a.m. (with the exception of July 7 & Aug 4).

Bible Reading Journey - Continue your journey through the Bible in two years. Based on the reading plan in the Lutheran Study Bible from CPH, use handouts written by Rev. Dr. Todd Biermann to guide your study and home discussions. The class times will be changing with the end of midweek. Continue to follow the reading plan on your own, and join the group for Bible Study and deeper discussion on Sundays.

Luther's Catechism -- This class will offer an in-depth look at Luther's Catechisms on Wednesday nights. We'll learn more about the main teachings of Christian doctrine (the 10 Commandments, Creed, Lord's Prayer, and more) and discuss how to use and apply these doctrines at home in worship and devotion and in conversations throughout your daily life. This class will be especially helpful for the parents of our 3rd-8th graders as you learn more about the Catechism together. The Small Catechism was designed for individual use by pastors and laypersons alike or for use in homes for the instruction of children, while the Large Catechism was intended to assist church workers in their task of teaching the chief parts of Christian doctrine.

As always, this discipleship class will provide valuable resources, practical tools, and support from other Trinity adults as you learn more about the core of our faith! All adults at Trinity are invited to this Wednesday night class from 6:30-7:30 (6:00-6:45 during Advent and Lent) in the Heilman room. Led by Ed & Jen Larson, Daniel Duffy, DCE, and Hannah Knehans, DFLM

Martin's Fireworks Post Party

Everyone who helped in any way during Martin's Fireworks is invited to attend the Post Party fun at the home of Josh & Becky Sexton on August 3 at 5:30 p.m.

SCRIP PROGRAM



The last few months, due to the ongoing support of the Scrip Card Program, the Scrip Committee was able to support the following:

\$300 Bethany College Choir
\$20 Men's night
\$100 Convoy of Hope- Texas Flood
\$100 Lutherans for Life
\$700 Springfield Lutheran High School

For the next month or two we will be collecting for Samaritan Purse Shoebox program to cover shipping.

Remember, when you purchase a card, you get full face value! It costs you nothing to support these worthwhile missions!

Stop by the table in the gym Sunday (9:00-9:45 a.m.) and learn how The Scrip program works or email Linda Oughton at oughtonlinda@yahoo.com to place an order

Your Scrip Committee

** pictured are SLHS staff Daniel Straw, Principal Tim Zeigler, Matt Lundien, and Scip committee member Jeff Winter.



Sunday School Singers is looking for adult or youth volunteers to lead the kids' communion singing during service each week. Use the SignUpGenius QR code to sign up for Sunday services when you will be in attendance, or text Shannon Crosby at 417-597-5895 when you can help. Thank you to all of the volunteers who make this program possible!

Trinity's Card Rack – Be sure to stop by the card rack located in the narthex. All cards are 50 cents each and there are a variety from which to choose – Graduation, Birthday, Get Well, Sympathy, etc.



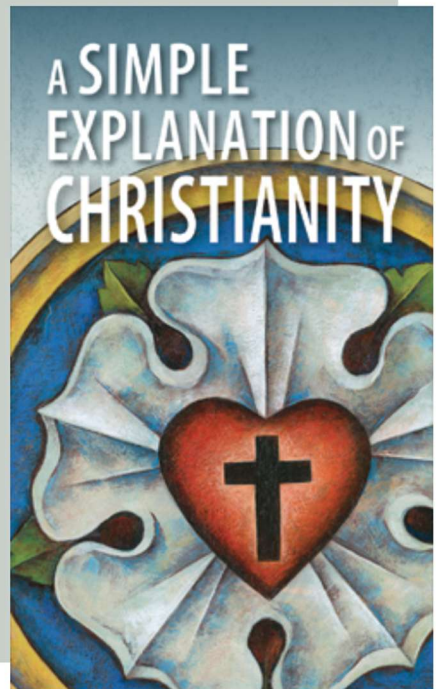
Adult Midweek Class

*Led by Daniel Duffy, DCE
& Hannah Knehans DFLM
Family Life Center Heilman Room*

Wednesdays 6:30-7:30 pm
First Class on Aug. 27th (join anytime!)

Take an in-depth look at the main teachings of Christian doctrine through Luther's Catechisms and discuss how to use and apply these doctrines throughout daily life.

This practical, discipleship class will be especially helpful for the parents of our 3rd-8th grade confirmation students as you learn more about the Catechisms together.



Welcome New Members – Get to Know The Martin Family



The Martins moved to Springfield from Colorado Springs, CO this year and are enjoying getting acquainted with the Ozarks. They love camping, hiking, board games, and reading, and are excited to be raising chickens for the first time.

Get to Know The Hathcock Family

Colonel John Hathcock, U.S. Army (Ret.) and Susan Hathcock transferred to Trinity Lutheran from Redeemer Lutheran, Springfield/Nixa where they had been members since moving to Springfield in 2019.

They met and were married at St. John's Lutheran Church, Alexandria, VA in 1979. Susan was a Business Manager for TRW Defense and Space Systems, and John was a Missouri Army National Guard officer serving on active duty, as a principal advisor to the active Army, representing the National Guard.

John was born in Jefferson City, MO and was baptized at Trinity Lutheran in Jeff City. John grew up as a "military brat", started kindergarten in Germany, and returning to the states, lived in Georgia, South Carolina, North Carolina, Oklahoma, then back to Germany where he graduated from Frankfurt American High School. Returning to Jeff City, he attended and graduated from Lincoln University with a degree in Business Administration.



John's military service led them to world wide assignments to include the NATO Defense College in Rome, Italy; and Army VII Corps in Stuttgart Germany (with a six-month war deployment for Desert Shield/Desert Storm in Saudi Arabia).

Susan was born and raised in Wauseon, Ohio. She joined Emmaus Lutheran Church, Wauseon, as an adult. She attended Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland prior to taking a job with the Department of the Navy at the Pentagon and moving to the Washington, DC area, where she completed her business degree at the University of Maryland.

When John prepared for retirement at the National Guard Bureau, Washington, DC, Susan went back to work at TRW on a Department of Energy project, Yucca Mountain Nuclear Waste Repository. Eventually, Susan's job took us to Las Vegas, NV where we lived for 11 years. During this time, John transformed his defense consulting business to the marketing and advertising industry.

After retiring, we spent six years as full-time RVer's, and eventually settled in Branson, MO, which is centrally located with our 4 children, 10 grandchildren, and now 2 great-grandsons who are located in Rogersville, MO; Mulvane, KS; San Marcos, TX; and Groves, TX.

In 2019, we moved to Springfield to downsize house and yard; we think we're now in our final retirement home.

Trinity Campus Cleanup

Sunday, August 10

Please come and help us
beautify and maintain our
campus inside and out.



Lunch will be provided by the Stewardship Committee in the
gym following second service (12:30 p.m.)

Please bring a change of clothes, power tools, yard
equipment, gloves, etc.

Questions? Contact Jen Gabathuler @ 417-536-9644
Stewardship Committee



FAITH & FAMILY NIGHT AT HAMMONS FIELD

FRIDAY, AUGUST 15

Game Time: 7:05pm • Gates Open: 6:05pm

Austin French

POSTGAME FANS-ON-FIELD CONCERT

Rising contemporary Christian music artist Austin French has lived a lot of life in his 24 years. Originally from small-town Georgia, he's spent time in Los Angeles, competing on reality singing competitions like ABC's "Rising Star" and NBC's "The Voice." He's been a worship leader at a church where 80 percent of the members were recovering addicts. And he and his wife went from having no kids to having two—one biological, one adopted—within months of each other. Now, to add to the list, he is about to release his first full-length studio album.

A life with this much adventure can only happen when you hold the posture that French does.

"Life is meant to be lived wide open," he says, "not closed off, not safe, but living close to the Lord where he leads us...our job is to live our lives with our hands wide open."



• Group Tickets starting at \$9.50^{+tax}

All Groups (20+ Tickets) receive a voucher for a BOGO Ticket to a future game or \$5 off purchase of \$15 or more at the Team Store

Also that night:

- Fans-On-Field Fellowship Fireworks Celebration

Fellowship Celebration Fireworks

For more information and to order tickets, please contact
Todd Wright • 417.832.3036 • twright@springfieldcardinals.com

[f/SpringfieldCardinalsBaseball](https://www.facebook.com/SpringfieldCardinalsBaseball)

[X@sgf_cardinals](https://twitter.com/sgf_cardinals)

[@springfield_cardinals](https://www.instagram.com/springfield_cardinals)

Join us as we kick off a new year of
Christian Education!

BOLD HOPE IN CHRIST

2 CORINTHIANS 3:12

RALLY SUNDAY 2025

- ✓ Fellowship and pastries
- ✓ Welcome Daniel and Katrina to our church family
- ✓ Get to know the teachers in an interactive game
- ✓ Singing
- ✓ Be a Part of the tunnel for the children's "Tunnel Run"
- ✓ Rally Picnic at 12:30 p.m.

AUG. 17: 9:30 AM
TRINITY GYM



CONGREGATIONAL PICNIC...AUGUST 17TH

**PLEASE JOIN US IN THE GYM (right after 2nd service)
TO CONTINUE OUR 2025 SUNDAY SCHOOL,
RALLY DAY CELEBRATION!**

**THIS WILL ALSO BE A TIME TO MEET AND GREET
TRINITY'S NEW DCE, DANIEL DUFFY AND HIS WIFE KATRINA.
There will be a welcome table for greeting cards/gift cards!**

FELLOWSHIP WILL PROVIDE:

**HAMBURGERS, HOT DOGS, CHIPS, DRINKS & DESSERT!
PLEASE BRING A LARGE SIDE DISH OR TWO TO SHARE!**

Pearl Linke Turns 100!!!

Pearl Linke, a long-time Trinity member, will turn 100 on September 16! Many of our new members do not know Pearl, but she joined Trinity in 1964. She has been very active until she moved to Blue Springs where she could be closer to her son. Anyone who would like to send her a card please send it to the following address:

Pearl Linke
1001 SW 44th St
Blue Springs, MO 64015

“Pearl had a stroke three years ago and at that time we moved her from our home to an assisted living nearby. She’s still doing OK even though she is slower than before and uses a walker. She has a hard time hearing, which is frustrating for her. She still has her good mind, but is starting to have some trouble getting her words out sometimes. She’s still an avid reader with good eyesight and also enjoys doing Sudoku puzzles.” ~ Ted & Judy Linke

IGNITE

EQUIPPING THE SONG OF THE CONGREGATION

**Have you, your family, or friends wondered about
Lutheran liturgy, where it came from, what it means,
and why we use it still today in the LCMS?**

**Are you curious about Lutheran hymnody, why we use
the songs we use, why we exclude others, and how the
Lutheran hymnal came about?**

**Are you interested in rehearsing some of the church's
music in a safe place where you can learn together
with fellow believers outside service times?**

**IGNITE is an interactive presentation series designed
by Trinity Lutheran Church's Director of Parish Music,
CALEB STAEHR, and is intended to educate and assist
Trinity's congregants toward a right understanding of
the church's song, and to equip its parishoners to sing
boldly as a sacrifice of praise to the Triune God.**

**Wednesdays, July 16—Aug 13, 6:00 P.M.
Trinity Lutheran Church Sanctuary,
Springfield, MO**

IGNITE

EQUIPPING THE SONG OF THE CONGREGATION

**JULY
16**

Wednesday, 6:00 P.M.

THE LUTHERAN SERVICE BOOK

Where did the Lutheran hymnal originate, how has it changed over time, and how can I use it as a resource at home in my devotional study and private worship?

**JULY
23**

Wednesday, 6:00 P.M.

THE DIVINE SERVICE

What are the parts of the Lutheran Divine Service, where did they come from, and why do we continue to use this service structure in our worship practices today?

**JULY
30**

Wednesday, 6:00 P.M.

THE OFFICES: VESPERS & COMPLINE

An introduction to the Liturgy of the Hours and its place in Lutheran worship.

**AUG
6**

Wednesday, 6:00 P.M.

THE OFFICES: MATINS & EVENING PRAYER

An extended discussion of the Liturgy of the Hours as it relates to the services of Matins and Evening Prayer.

**AUG
13**

Wednesday, 6:00 P.M.

HOLDEN EVENING PRAYER

An introduction to and rehearsal of a secondary setting of the Evening Prayer Service composed by Marty Haugen.

Men's Night Out

MCSALTY'S PIZZA

TUESDAY, AUGUST 12

6:00 PM

1550 E BATTLEFIELD

CONTACT BEN BROWN -

BEN.BROWN357@GMAIL.COM



No Church Ladies Night Out in August!

Quilts of Valor

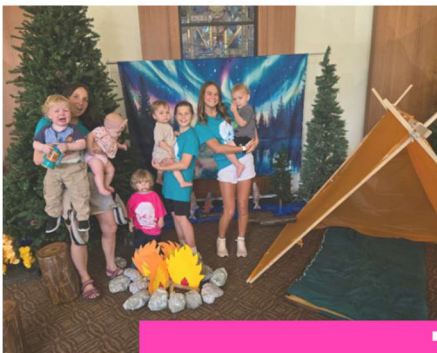
Are you a service member? If so, Quilts of Valor (QOV) would like to say thank you by awarding you a full-size handmade quilt. The only requirements are to have completed basic training, or an honorable discharge plus never received a quilt from Quilts of Valor or Quilts of Honor.

These quilts are not to be given as a gift or a surprise. Nominations can be made by the Veteran, friend or relative. If the Veteran is not in this area, they can still be nominated and receive a quilt from a QOV group in their area.

A presentation is scheduled for November 13. It would be an honor to award some of our local Veterans a quilt on that date. We would like to have the nominations ASAP but no later than September 15 so arrangements can be made for the quilts.



For more information or to nominate a Veteran please contact: Shirley Haskins 417-236-3592 or Linda Groce 314-650-9249. QOV is a non-profit foundation.



TRUE NORTH VBS 2025





**Thank you so much, Trinity Congregation, for the Mite Offerings this month, which totaled \$21.00. Psalm 46:1- “God is our refuge and strength.” The Mite collections worldwide will continue to go to one of the LWML Mission Grants-“Healthy Together, Healthy Workers, Healthy Church”-(Lutheran Family Services, U.S.) You can save your daily pocket change and we’ll collect for missions in the LARGE purple Mite Box that will be displayed in the narthex on the second Sunday of each month. The next opportunity will be Sunday, August 10, 2025.

TWIA is planning to support the Samaritan Shoe Box project and we’ll again be purchasing small gifts for boys, ages 12-15. If you have small gift donations (yo-yos, hacky sack balls, sunglasses, etc.), please mark the bags clearly for TWIA Samaritan Shoe Box and place them in Room 1, located in the foyer. We continue to support LWML Mite Box missions as well.



Stewardship Moment

Jesus' transforming presence

"But Zacchaeus stood up and said to the Lord, 'Look, Lord! Here and now I give half of my possessions to the poor, and if I have cheated anybody out of anything, I will pay back four times the amount.' Jesus said to him, 'Today salvation has come to this house, because this man, too, is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost'" (Luke 19:8-10 NIV).

Who knew, all those kids sitting in Sunday school were getting a lesson in stewardship! Generations of children have very often heard lessons based on the familiar account of Zacchaeus. The diminutive tax collector's curiosity surrounding the person and ministry of Jesus is what the Holy Spirit used to set him on a collision course for a total stewardship transformation. This transformation, according to the text of Luke 19, is not just about this life. This stewardship transformation is about eternity as well!

Remember the story: Zacchaeus was a tax collector. Do not think of friendly neighborhood IRS agents. This was more like a toll booth operator, but the governing authorities did not set the toll. They would contract men to staff roadside booths and tax the commerce that was passing along the road. This was an enterprise full of greed and graft. The tax collectors would take as much as they could and only pass on a portion to the government. The rest did not go into the community chest either! It went into the pocket of the tax collector.

This is why the people had such disdain for Jewish tax collectors. They were seen as both crooks and traitors. They were crooks in that they extorted their compatriots and others in the toll process. But worse, they were seen as traitors because their efforts supported the occupying Roman authorities. That is the real reason that the people would not make way so that short Zacchaeus could see Jesus.

For this reason, he runs ahead and climbs a tree. He had heard all the stories. He wanted to see this Jesus with his own eyes. Mercy is on display. This hated crook and traitor gets a direct audience with Jesus — at Jesus' own request! Jesus invites Himself to Zacchaeus' house. This is where the transformation is about to take place!

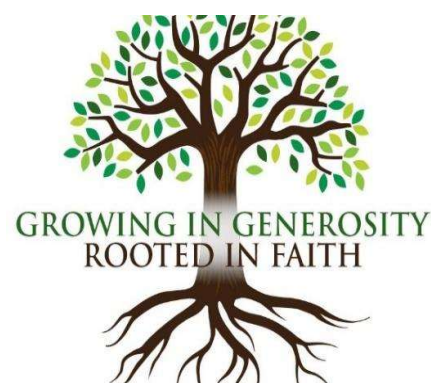
Notice how Jesus does it. He does not preach a three-week sermon series, nor does He ask Zacchaeus to make a pledge. There is nothing programmatic about Jesus' approach. But Zacchaeus is completely transformed! The transforming force is the very presence of Jesus!

Direct time with Jesus takes a crooked, selfish, criminal and makes him the most faithful steward. This new life of stewardship is marked by the promises made. First, he gives half of his ill-gotten gains to the poor. These are people whom he would not have defrauded at all! Yet, after spending time with Jesus, they are His first concern. Only after this does he double the requirement of the Levitical law on fraud. And what does Jesus say is the result? Salvation!

Doing the acts of stewardship does not save. Rather, the faith in Jesus that is created by the Holy Spirit is what saves! This is critical for us to confess. Failed stewardship can and will cut you off from God. The only antidote for failed stewardship is the presence of Jesus.

We do not need to run ahead and climb a tree for this presence of Jesus. He makes Himself available to us every week in the Divine Service. He speaks His Word of invitation to us in the pages of Holy Scripture. This, and this alone, transforms us from sinner to saint, from owner to steward of all that belongs to the Lord.

Do you want to become a more faithful steward? Spend more time with Jesus. Make the Divine Service a weekly priority. Feast on Christ's body and blood weekly! This is the great gift that brings salvation from God's House to yours!



Mighty Missionary Camp 2025

WaterWays

“But whoever drinks of the water that I will give him will never be thirsty again
The water that I will give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life.” John 4:14



The 27th Anniversary of Mighty Missionary Camp was a huge success! Things that happened this year at camp:

- Faith, Friends, Fun!
- Water Themed Object Lessons about how water was used in the bible.
- The most amazing food!
- Games in the Rec Hall and field
- Kayaking, Canoeing and Paddle boarding at the lake
- Cabin Cheers, Laughter, Devotions and Chores
- Polymer Clay Artwork
- Pillowcase Keepsake
- Creek Swimming and Relay Races
- Cardboard Bridge Building
- Fun with the YMCA Staff
- Talent Show MC'd by Matthew Knehans
- Campfires and Singing
- Basketball Court Dance Party
- Awesome cabin mascots
- Under the Sea Cafe

Thank you so much to all of the people who made this year's camp happen:

Overnight Counselors: Claire Hagerman, Jess Carroll, Marissa Geyer, Maddy Breshears, Addison Love, Maddie Jones, Tamanna Cornwall, Adam Breshears, Brock Buerck, Andrew Carroll, Jason Gabathuler, Ed Larson, Zack Peters, Mark Jones, Vicar Holland, Will Peck and Ray Sexton.

Object Lessons and Cabin Devotions: Pastor Hagerman, Vicar Holland and Hannah Knehans

Crafts: Patrice and Jeff Winter with help from Josie Sexton, Virginia Dickey, Dakotah Gumm and Hayleigh Holland

Food: Becky and Josh Sexton, Shelly Hambrick, Phyllis Love, Mary Lou Peters, Jan Schultz, Gordon Lane, Nancy Ward, and Ron Shepard

Other Daytime/Game Helpers: Matthew Knehans, Angie Reitmeier, Hannah Knehans.

Anonymous donations: Thank you!

Golf Cart and ATV: Kevin Scheer

Check-in Help: Angie Reitmeier, Dakotah Gumm

Happy Camper: Cyndi Shepard

Administrative Assistant: Angela Bruton

We hope we haven't missed anyone and know there are many more of you who supported the camp this year in other ways, and we are forever grateful. It takes a village to raise a child, and our Trinity family is a great example of this. We pray that the Mighty Missionary Camp continues to provide lifelong memories that imprint the love of Jesus Christ on the hearts of every child and adult involved.

-Ahren & Angela Love-





SPRINGFIELD LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL

News & Updates:

We are starting to count down the days until the official launch of Springfield Lutheran High School this fall! God is so good! Here's a glimpse of what's been happening in July:

- **Opening Chapel & 1st Day of School Festivities, August 13, 8:30 AM-10:30 AM** – We are incredibly excited for our first day of school festivities and would love to have you join us! Save the date and invite your friends and family. Chapel will be led by guest preacher, Lutheran Hour Speaker Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler, along with Rev. Dr. Nick Hagerman. Following Opening Chapel, we'll continue the celebration with a ribbon cutting and reception. We hope to see you there!
- **Staff Update** – Please join us in congratulating Amy Schafer on her new role with SLHS. We've been blessed with Amy's time on the inaugural Board of Directors, and now welcome her in her role as Finance and Operations Coordinator for SLHS – and yes, Mrs. Schafer will also continue to serve in her current position at Springfield Lutheran School, she's beloved there as well!
- **Board of Directors Update** – We are pleased and excited to announce our new Board members: Danielle Nagel serving as President, John Yoo serving as Treasurer, and Brenda Owen serving as a member-at-large. We're thankful for their unique gifts, valuable experience, and deep commitment to Christ-centered education!
- **Facility Updates in Progress** – With the first day of school just around the corner, projects across campus are well underway. We're wrapping up security enhancements, installing new signage, and assembling classroom furniture to get everything ready for a great start to the year.
- July 16-18th, Executive Director Stephanie Grandestaff and Principal Tim Zeigler participated in the **Missouri District LCMS Administrators Conference in Columbia, MO**. It was a meaningful time of professional growth, collaboration and connection with fellow Lutheran school leaders.



Other ways to support SLHS:

In addition to your continued prayers for the Launch of SLHS, here are some other great ways to jump in and be a part of what God is doing:

- **Tuition Assistance Fund**– Do you know someone who's interested in SLHS but is unsure if it's financially possible? We have great news! SLHS is offering a need-based scholarship program, designed to supplement our Founding Family tuition discount and make enrollment even more accessible. Please help spread the word! To learn more visit: springfieldlutheranhs.org/services/tuition-assistance
- **Check Out the SLHS Amazon Wish List** – Our faculty and staff have put together a list of items needed for classrooms and the school office. This is an easy and impactful way to support SLHS, and new items are still being added! Scan the QR code, or visit <https://a.co/9Jm6Yh9> to easily purchase items and have them shipped directly to the school.
- **Support the SLHS Golf Tournament** – Join other families and businesses in sponsoring the SLHS Golf Tournament on August 25! Sponsorships start at just \$250 and make a lasting impact. Learn more at givebutter.com/SLHSGolf2025 or scan the Golf Tournament QR code below to get started.

scan to support the
SLHS Amazon Wish List



Other Upcoming Events:

- **SLHS 1st Annual Benefit Golf Tournament** – Gather a team and reserve your tickets for our inaugural Golf Tournament on Monday, August 25, at Horton Smith Golf Course in Springfield—learn more at givebutter.com/SLHSGolf2025 or scan the QR code.
- **"Fuel the Future" Food & Fellowship Night** – Enjoy dinner out at Huey Magoo's (3352 E Sunshine St.) on August 26 from 4-9 PM—simply mention you're there for an SLHS fundraiser and SLHS will receive 20% of sales!
- **SLHS Shrimp Boil** – Save the date for a fun night of great food and community at the SLHS Shrimp Boil on Saturday, October 11. Stay tuned—more details and info on how to reserve tickets coming soon!

scan to register or sponsor the
SLHS Golf Tournament



Thank you for walking with us, praying with us, and giving so generously. Together, we're launching a Christ-centered high school that will shape lives for eternity!

Together in Christ,
SLHS Board of Directors & Staff

SPRINGFIELD  LUTHERAN
HIGH SCHOOL

FIRST ANNUAL BENEFIT GOLF TOURNAMENT

MONDAY, AUGUST 25, 2025

Shotgun Start 8:00 AM

Horton Smith Golf Course

4 Person Scramble: 18 Holes

Lunch Included!

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE

Scan to
Register/Sponsor:



4 Person Team: \$300 Entry

Cash Prizes:

1st 2nd 3rd Place Teams

Additional Prizes:

Longest Drive

Longest Putt

Closest to the Pin

Proceeds to benefit Springfield Lutheran High School

Register Now: givebutter.com/SLHSGolf2025

Registration or Sponsorship Questions: Call Sarah Martin at 217-710-2018

Golf Questions: Call Amy Viets-Cooper at 417-207-7019

Springfield Lutheran Hight School
Opening Chapel
August 13 from 8:30-10:30 a.m.

Please join SLHS for their opening chapel in Trinity's sanctuary on August 13. Chapel will be led by Lutheran Hour Speaker Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler and Rev. Dr. Nick Hagerman. Following chapel there will be a ribbon cutting ceremony at the Family Center and a reception. This is a very exciting time, and we would love to have you be a part of this celebration!

Trinity's Midweek School Program

What is Midweek? It is a time where children in 3rd-8th grades are instructed in Luther's Catechism and what Lutherans believe. An adult Bible class is also offered on Wednesday nights.

What about the other ages? There is baby sitting for the littles and our Kindergarten, 1st and 2nd graders have their own instruction time

When does Midweek start? Orientation will be on Wednesday, August 20, 5:00 p.m. Class begin on Wednesday, August 27.

5:00 p.m. – Dinner is served as a time for fellowship and help our families one night a week with mealtime.

5:45 p.m. – Kids of the Kingdom Choir for 3rd-6th graders led by Caleb Staehr

6:00 p.m. – Childcare begins, 7th & 8th graders head to class

6:00 p.m. – Kindergarten class and 1st-2nd grade class (Good News Crew)

6:20 p.m. – 3rd-6th graders head to class

What is served each week? We have teams of volunteers who prepare the meals each week. There is a schedule that gets published in the monthly Trumpet and in the weekly News & Notes. A gluten free option is usually available.

August 20 Meal – Hamburgers, hotdogs, and tater tots will be offered. If you would like to help in the kitchen, please contact Laura McCune at 417-880-0053. There are so many ways to volunteer.

Our Midweek Superintendent is Heather Newman.

Opening Week Events

SATURDAY

AUG 16

6 PM

*Ice Cream
Social*

SUNDAY

AUG 17

10 AM

*Opening
Worship*

MONDAY

AUG 18

6:15 PM

Mini Golf

TUESDAY

AUG 19

6 PM

*Opening Prayer
and Praise*

THURSDAY

AUG 21

6:30 PM

*Tie Blankets &
Game Night*

SATURDAY

AUG 23

4 PM

*Scavenger Hunt
and Bonfire*

Are you or someone you know looking for a full-size mattress? Henry Beersman has a full-size Beautyrest mattress set. If interested, please contact Henry at 417-833-0583.

Lutheran Student Center

meal sign ups

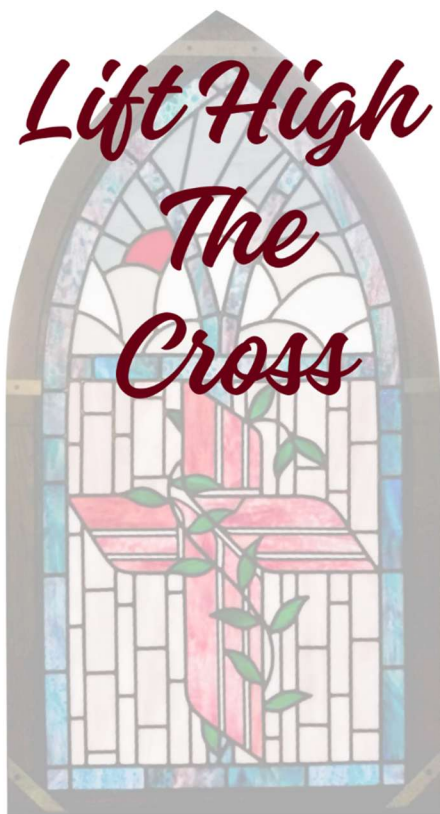


Scan this QR Code to sign up!

We are looking for people to sign up to provide a meal for our weekly Prayer and Praise, Tuesday nights at 5:45 PM. We need enough food to feed about 25-30 people. Drop off at the center and we will serve it! We provide utensils and plates! Please consider bringing a dessert and some snacks as well! Our address is 848 S. National, Springfield, MO. Contact Angela at (417) 844 - 3274 for questions. We truly appreciate your help!

Looking for vocalists for Christmas Cantata

Trinity Lutheran Freistatt will be presenting “Journey of Promises”, a Christmas cantata, on December 20, 2025, under the direction of Carol McIntyre. This includes many familiar melodies of the Advent and Christmas season. Any voices from surrounding communities will be welcome to join us. This is a great opportunity to be a part of large choir. Rehearsals will be on Monday evenings at 6:00 pm starting September 8 at Trinity in Freistatt. Please join us - we’d love to have you sing with us. Bring a friend, and come and make music, and share in the celebration of our Savior’s birth. For questions or more information, contact Carol McIntyre (417-316-0394) or Betty Sawyer (417-825-5697) or Trinity Freistatt office (417-235-7300). Please RSVP to Carol McIntyre by phone, text, or email (carol.millsap@yahoo.com) by August 15 to make sure we have music for you. We are excited to hear from you.



ST. PAUL'S *Lutheran Church*

Marshfield, Missouri

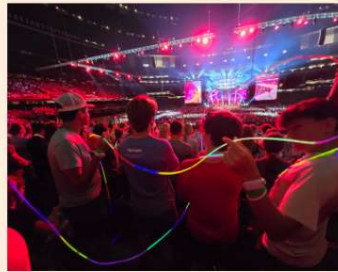
*Celebrating
150 Years!*

SAVE THE DATE

9/28/2025

Please Plan to Join Us!

609 N. LOCUST ST.
MARSHFIELD, MO 65706



NYG '25

New Orleans





CHRISTMAS in July

TRINITY'S SUNDAY SCHOOL WILL ONCE AGAIN
PARTICIPATE IN FILLING SHOEBOXES FOR
CHILDREN AROUND THE WORLD

WAYS YOU CAN HELP RIGHT NOW

**Save sturdy shoeboxes*

**Love to craft, sew, crochet, or knit? consider making small handmade items for the shoeboxes—think scarves, hats, dolls, or small toys.*

**Got extra promotional items with company logos (pens, notepads, stickers)? Kids love them—and we can use them!*

**Start Saving These Small Gifts:*

- *Toys (small balls, cars, dolls, puzzles)*
- *School Supplies (crayons, pencils, notebooks)*
- *Clothing (socks, t-shirts, hats)*
- *Accessories (hair ties, jewelry, sunglasses)*



**BE CREATIVE
LET'S FILL THESE BOXES WITH LOVE,
JOY, AND
THE MESSAGE OF JESUS.**

START COLLECTING TODAY!



Sisters in Christ



FAREWELL



VICAR HOLLAND

HAPPY
Grandparents
DAY

Granola with Grandpa & Grandma

Sunday Sep. 7th

9:00-11:00am - Trinity Gym

All grandparents and grandchildren at Trinity are invited to stop by the table in the gym between services on Grandparents Day, Sep. 7th.

Make a granola parfait and pick up a card, conversation starter activity, and devotion celebrating grandparents.

We want to support you whether you are a grandparent or want to show love to the grandparents in your life.

TRINITY FAMILY LIFE MINISTRY COMMITTEE

Sweet Life Café Women's Retreat

September 12-13, 2025

Westgate Branson Woods Resort



During the busy fall season, enjoy a little weekend getaway with other women at our Sweet Life Café Women's Retreat. Join with supportive Christian friends as we refresh our spirits and strengthen our faith foundation.

Register online OR mail registration form with \$90 check to reserve your space.

Space is limited, register now!

\$90 Retreat Registration Fee includes:

- Double-occupancy lodging at the Westgate Branson Woods Resort (2201 Roark Valley Road, Branson, MO) with free, accessible parking.
- Dedicated, on-site conference space for our retreat and materials (including supplies for a service project), and fire pit for Friday evening.
- Food, including snacks on Friday evening, breakfast and lunch on Saturday.

We want everyone interested, to be able to attend. Need help? (Circle here) Yes
Interested in carpooling ? (Circle here) Yes

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Phone Number: _____ Texting, okay? Y/N (circle)

Name of Home Church: _____

Enter name of preferred roommate or we will pair you with another attendee (all rooms are double occupancy): _____

Food Allergies? Y/N (circle) If yes, please list: _____

Emergency Contact Name: _____ Phone: _____

Make checks payable to: "Redeemer Lutheran Church" memo: "2025 Women's Retreat"

Questions: Call/text Alisa Gates 417-987-1806

Send paper registration form with retreat payment to:

Redeemer Lutheran Church

Attn: Alisa Gates, Women's Retreat

2852 S. Dayton Ave. Springfield, MO., 65807

If you wish to donate to help someone else attend, donate funds through these actions:

- Add a donation amount to YOUR retreat registration check or online registration payment
- Donate online, <http://bit.ly/3H5zFyP> (select Women's Retreat in the drop-down menu)
- Place a donation in an envelope labeled "Special Offering" with memo note of "Women's Retreat"

Tentative Retreat Agenda:

Friday, September 12, 2025

5:00-6:00 pm – Check-in/retreat registration at Westgate Branson Woods Resort

6:00 pm – Session 1 begins and is followed by a bonfire/social for all attendees

Saturday, September 13, 2025

8:00-9:00 am – Come-and-go breakfast in our retreat space

9:00-4:00 pm – Sessions 2-6, Lunch, and a Service Project

(Note: check-out from our lodging spaces will take place at 10:00 am)

Retreat will conclude by 4:00 pm

Make checks payable to: "Redeemer Lutheran Church" memo: "2025 Women's Retreat"

Questions: Call/text Alisa Gates 417-987-1806

TRINITY FAMILY PRAYER PAGE

Each week immediate prayer needs are published in "The Trinity Family Prayer Page." Each month in The Trumpet, those we pray for weekly as well as others with long term prayer needs are listed to be included in members' personal and household devotions and prayers. . .if you'd like to add a family member or friend, please call or e-mail the Trinity office with your request. . .May God bless all for whom we pray. . .

For Those Coping With Cancer

Friends/Family of Trinity Members:

Ginnie Beaman, co-worker of Melinda Brown
Jenee Kernan, friend of Carl & Linda Oughton
Elaine Kruger, sister of Fran Wald
Lynn Rogers, friend of Carmen Swinney

Sharon Schmidt, mother of Candace Gaede
Gene Schroeder, brother of Ben Schroeder
Jeremy Summers, nephew of Ernie Lewis
Gary Williams, uncle of Candace Gaede

For Those Who Are Homebound in our Trinity Family

Members permanently or temporarily homebound. . .

Bob Bell
Phyllis Hansen
Georgia Mikessell

Kay Quasius
Paula Spalding
Jerry Williams

For Those Facing Ongoing Health Issues

Frank Bennett
Marien Byrne
Carol Etherton
Easton Fitzgearlds
Joshua Gaede
Donna Gann
Roy Merritt
Pam Osterloh
Tim Peters
Kathy Polacoff

Albert Shook
Dave Sommerer

Friends/Family of Trinity Members:

Eli Applegate, grandson Ben & Deb Schroeder
Elise Drennan, great-niece of Debbie Shell
Jeril Heine, brother of Amy Johnson
Cheryl Kinkeade, sister of Linda Oughton
Verla Williams, Aunt of Candace Gaede

For Our Nation and For Members of Our Armed Forces

We pray not only for the soldiers listed here, but also for their families!

Chris Adams
Phillip Hackley
Benjamin Schmidt
Robert Stillings, Jr.

Nick Costello, nephew of Mark & Karen Friert
Frank Edling, son of Alfred Edling
William Jones, brother of Lauryn Peters
Kevin Myers, brother-in-law of Kathy Polacoff
Austin Peregory, nephew of Mark & Karen Friert

Week of August 3-10, 2025

Today	The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost 8:15 & 11:00 a.m. Divine Services Daniel Duffy, DCE Installation 9:30 a.m. Fellowship, gym 9:45 a.m. Sunday School & Adult Bible Class 5:30 p.m. Martin's Fireworks After Party @ Sexton's home
Monday	9:30 a.m. NO Women's Bible Study today 1:00 p.m. Church Office Opens 6:00 p.m. Board of Elders Caleb Staehr's day off
Tuesday	6:00 p.m. Pickleball, gym
Wednesday	5:30 p.m. Stewardship Meeting 6:00 p.m. Ignite – Equipping the Song of the Congregation
Thursday	
Friday	Church office closed Pastor Hagerman's day off
Saturday	Noon-4:30 p.m. Gym Reserved
Next Sunday August 10	The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost 8:15 & 11:00 a.m. Divine Services 9:30 a.m. Fellowship, gym 9:45 a.m. Sunday School & Adult Bible Class 12:30 p.m. Campus Cleanup, see page 9

