



Trinity Trumpet

Trinity Lutheran Church
Springfield, Missouri
September 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.

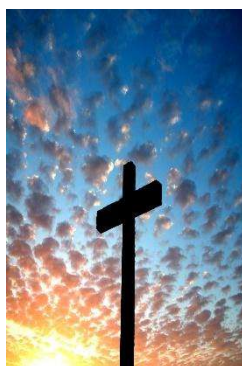
OUR CRITICAL TARGETS

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

Luther's Small Catechism



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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)

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Our Trinity Family Stewardship – August 24, 2025

Attendance:	8:15 a.m.	185	Previous week:	210
	11:00 a.m.	190		247

Tithes and Offerings:

Undesignated (General) Offerings		\$ 8,218.38	
<u>Designated Gifts</u>			
Debt Reduction	\$ 400.00	R&R Fund	\$ 200.00
Christian Care	\$ 200.00	Gym Roof	\$ 100.00
Bus Expense	\$ 5.00	Music Department	\$ 100.00
World Relief	\$ 100.00	LSC	\$ 50.00
Midweek Dinners	\$ 218.00	Altar Flowers	<u>\$ 100.00</u>
Sunday School	\$ 505.00	Total	<u>\$ 1,978.00</u>
		Total Gifts	\$ 10,196.38

Sunday School and Adult Bible Class Attendance for August 24

Preschool: 10	Jr. High: 6
Elementary: 35	Adults/Teachers: 113

FROM the PASTOR

Dear Trinity Family,

Greetings to you in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ! For several days in September, my wife and I are going to be taking a trip to Tarrytown, New York (about an hour north of NYC) for the wedding of one of my good friends from high school. Because we're going on this trip, I will not be at Trinity on Sunday, September 14. Pastor Dave Benson has graciously agreed to handle the services for me while I'm gone. However, I do regret that I'm going to be missing that particular Sunday at Trinity, because September 14 is when the church celebrates Holy Cross Day, which is one of the minor festivals of the church year.

Holy Cross Day is different from many of the other church year festivals in that it doesn't commemorate a particular person. One might even say that it doesn't commemorate a particular event either, although obviously Jesus' death on the cross was a specific event that occurred in history. Holy Cross Day is about more than just Jesus' crucifixion, though; it's also about the shape of the entire Christian life. In the Gospels, Jesus talks to His disciples multiple times about suffering as a Christian, and about how hardship naturally comes to those who trust in Him. In one conversation, Jesus says, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose, but whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will save it" (Mark 8:34-35). In saying these things, Jesus put the cross at the front and center of the Christian life.

Back in Jesus' day, before His crucifixion, the cross was a symbol of nothing but pain and shame. Crucifixion was the punishment that the Roman Empire reserved for the worst offenders: hardened criminals, murderers, and insurrectionists against the Roman authorities. It was a slow, agonizing, and humiliating way to die, and it served as a powerful deterrent against lawbreakers. So when Jesus'

disciples heard Him talk about bearing their crosses, it probably sounded quite offensive to them, because He was implying that they would be treated as criminals and made to suffer terribly.

But Jesus' crucifixion changed all of that. Now, the cross is not merely a symbol of shame, but it is also a symbol of triumph. When Jesus died on that cross, He took all of the sins of humanity upon Himself and paid for them by shedding His own innocent blood as a sacrifice. Jesus satisfied the wrath of God through His suffering and death, and in so doing He also defeated sin, death, and the devil for all of us. Now, we Christians who suffer in this life and are often scorned and rejected by the world have the hope of eternal life with God. Even though we bear our crosses now, we bear them through the path of suffering toward joy, peace, and rest in God's kingdom. The cross may be the shape of our lives as Christians, but it is a symbol of Jesus' victory over our enemies, and so now it brings us hope rather than despair.

Thus, Holy Cross Day is not only a reminder to us of Jesus' death on the cross for our salvation, but it is also a reminder of what our lives look like, both the good and the bad. It reminds us that we do indeed suffer in this life as Christians, and there will be no escape from that suffering if we remain faithful to Jesus. However, it also reminds us that Jesus has defeated our enemies of sin, death, and the devil through the cross, and so the cross points us to His triumph over everything that would destroy us. This is why we have crosses at the front of our church sanctuaries, on the walls of our homes, and on our jewelry. In ancient Rome, that would have been highly offensive to have as a decoration, but in Christ, the cross has become the most beautiful shape that has ever existed. The cross has been made holy indeed, and September 14 is specifically dedicated to celebrate that fact.

Although I won't be here to preach a sermon on Holy Cross Day this year, I hope that this article has given you an effective summary of what it's about and why it's important. In 2031, September 14 will circle back around to being on a Sunday again, which will give me the opportunity to preach the sermon that I didn't get to preach this year. I'll be looking forward to that day with great anticipation, and I'm sure all of you will be able to think of nothing else until then. God's blessings to you all!

In Christ,
Pastor Hagerman



FROM the DCE

So What is a DCE Anyway?

During the first month of my call as director of Christian education, I have had a number of people ask me what a DCE actually is and does. This is a reasonable question since many people have never had the pleasure of meeting a DCE. I myself did not know what a DCE was until I came across the DCE students at Concordia University Nebraska. In this essay, I hope to provide a clear and simple explanation of what a DCE is, what a DCE does, and specifically what I am called to do here at Trinity.

The official birth of the DCE position happened in 1959 when, at the LCMS national convention, it was established as an official position in the LCMS. A resolution was made which outlined that many congregations could benefit from having an individual to direct Christian education, who would assist the

pastor in providing leadership in the Sunday school program, and other educational activities of the church.

Throughout the life of the DCE position, a number of questions have always been present, with the core question being, “What is a DCE?.” The definition of a Director of Christian Education, as defined by the LCMS, is a “synodically certified, called, and commissioned lifespan educational leader prepared for team ministry in a congregational setting.” This means that a DCE is not a DCE unless they have been trained at one of the Concordia Universities offering a DCE program, and this training makes them eligible for a call which is initiated by a congregation.

Another question that frequently is asked in relation to a DCE is connected to what a DCE actually does day to day, and many people wonder if DCEs are just glorified youth directors. Much of the work of a DCE is behind the scenes that every member does not see. Three major roles of a DCE are as educator, administrator, and equipper. A DCE is first and foremost an *educator*. This means that the DCE is trained in educational theory, classroom management, theological content knowledge, and instruction. You will often find a DCE teaching confirmation or Bible class. Another role is as *administrator*; these tasks can vary, but some good examples are when a DCE works with a group to establish a mission and vision for the educational programs to help guide the planning of events and curriculum. Other administrative tasks may be preparing job descriptions for volunteers, onboarding the volunteers, or managing a budget. A third function of a DCE is as an *equipper*. The DCE is not called to fill every role of the teachers and other volunteers, so often will be found recruiting volunteers who are passionate about specific areas of ministry, and equipping them to lead, teach. While it is true that many DCEs work in youth ministry and carry out the programming for these students, DCEs ought to bring more gifts to the education programs than only directing the youth. Many DCEs find themselves in this role because it is such an important ministry area. The youth are the future leaders of our church, and I believe the church should invest time and resources into them. It is helpful to note that everything a DCE does, whether in administration, planning, or teaching, is all for the purpose of making disciples.

As for my role here at Trinity, I will spend time working in educational ministries for every age. I will be working with the Board of Parish Education to assist in planning and coordinating things like Sunday school, midweek, adult Bible studies, and VBS. I hope to be a support and resource for every volunteer working in our educational ministries. You will also find me at many of the Age-based ministry events such as Mighty Missionaries, Senior Safari, Trinity Tots, Jr High Youth, and especially Senior High Youth, and College Ministry. I plan to walk alongside the faithful leaders of these groups, and to give them any support they need. Connecting with, leading, and teaching youth and adults of all ages is my passion. Everything I do as a DCE is for the purpose of discipleship formation. That is why the DCE position exists and is what I am called here to do.

It has been a great joy being able to meet all of the people of Trinity Lutheran in Springfield. I look forward to continuing to connect with new people and growing deep, lifelong relationships with my new family in Christ. I pray rich blessings upon each of you, and upon the ministry of Trinity.

In Christ,
Daniel Duffy, DCE

Flowers on the Altar today are given by Roy & Pat Merritt in honor of their 60th Wedding Anniversary on September 4. May God continue to bless this union that was created in 1965.

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	Adult Confirmation Class	Pastor Hagerman	Room 2, Family Center
9:45 AM	The Stuff they Didn't Teach Me in Sunday School	Zeke Young	Family Room (Heilman Room)
9:45 AM	Senior High Youth	Josh Sexton	Youth Room, West Wing

MONDAY

9:15 AM	Faith Foundations (begins Sept. 8)	Pastor Hagerman	Gym and Mark Schultz Education Building, various rooms
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WEDNESDAY

6:30 PM	Luther's Catechisms – Adult Bible Study (<i>see page 9</i>)	Ed & Jen Larson/ Daniel Duffy	Family Room (Heilman Room)
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Adult Bible Class Descriptions

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. Continue to follow the reading plan on your own, and join the group for Bible Study and deeper discussion on Sundays. Join us in the gym.

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).

Faith Foundations Women's Bible Study – The Gospel of John (part 2) - The ladies of Faith Foundations will resume studying the Gospel of John. John's account of Jesus' ministry is very different from that of Matthew, Mark, and Luke: it recounts different events, includes different monologues and sayings of Jesus, and overall focuses the most on Jesus' divine identity as God in the flesh, come to dwell with His people. Countless Christians over the past two thousand years have found inspiration, joy, and hope in John's Gospel, and they will continue to do so until the day that Jesus returns in glory. Join us at Faith Foundations on Monday mornings so that you too may be encouraged by Jesus, whom John's Gospel describes as the living water, the bread of life, the light of the world, the Good Shepherd, and the

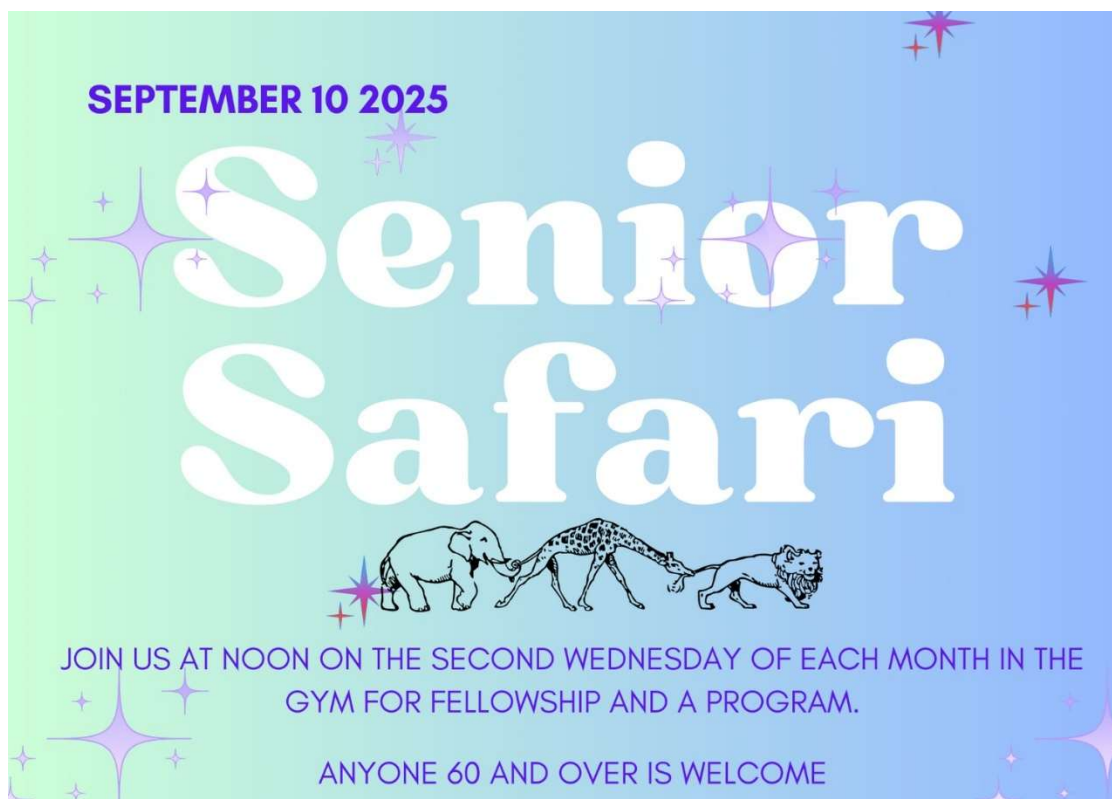
resurrection and the life! The format of the class will be small group discussions, large group lectures, and home Bible study. All the ladies of Trinity are invited to attend the class and bring as many friends as they'd like!

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



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!



ADULT BIBLE STUDY AT TRINITY



GROW IN GOD'S WORD

SUNDAY 9:45-10:45 AM

Gym: Bible Reading Journey
Taught by Pastor Todd Biermann

Heilman Room: "What They Didn't
Teach You in Sunday School"
Taught by Zeke Young

Woker Room: Book of Luke then
on to Ecclesiastes
Taught by Bob Quebbeman

Room 2 Adult Confirmation Class
Taught by Pastor Hagerman

MEN'S STUDY

Thursday @ 7:00 AM

Room 2 in the Family Center
Title: Head of the Household
Taught by Adam Breshear and Matthew Knehans

WEDNESDAY AM & PM

10 AM-
Study & Start date TBD
Taught by Vicar Olaff

6:30 PM-Luther's Catechism
Taught by
Ed & Jen Larson/Daniel Duffy

WOMEN'S STUDY

Monday @ 9:15-11AM

Faith Foundations: For women
from all churches in the area
John beginning at chapter 11
Taught by Pastor Hagerman
Leaders for small groups for
discussion

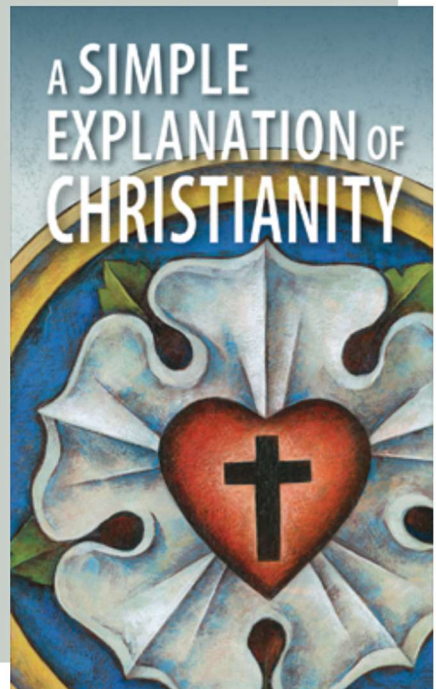
Adult Midweek Class

*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.



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

MEN'S NIGHT OUT



Contact Ben Brown For details

Galloway Grill
4211 S. Lone Pine
TUESDAY
September 9
6:00 pm

ben.brown357@gmail.com

Church Ladies
are meeting at Springfield BrewCo
Monday September 22 at 6 pm

Contact Jody Hackley for info
bertsgirl421@gmail.com



SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

CALLING ALL CHILDREN

Sunday, September 7

Be part of a special Sunday School group photo that will brighten our Children's Ministry hallway!

Children will begin in their Sunday School classes as usual DON'T be late!

At 9:50 a.m., teachers take them to the parking lot for the photo!



**SAVED SHOE BOXES
DONATIONS CAN BE
DROPPED OFF IN THE
FAMILY CENTER,**



OTHER WAYS TO HELP



**Buy Scrip cards
available at the table OR
purchase anytime with the
app---just a touch of a button!**

proceeds go to Christmas Child

COLLECT ITEMS

such as:

**Slinky
notepads
promotional items
jump rope
small toy car**

NO HYGIENE PRODUCTS

Fireworks FELLOWSHIP



**YOUTH AND FAMILIES JOINED AT THE HOME OF
THE SEXTON'S TO CELEBRATE THE END OF
ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL FIREWORKS SEASON**



Thank You

August 21, 2025

Dear Trinity Lutheran Church,

On behalf of the Springfield Lutheran School (SLS) faculty and staff, and the Springfield Lutheran School governing board, we would like to express our profound gratitude to Trinity Lutheran Church for your recent donation to our school program. God has blessed us mightily through your kindness and support. Trinity has been so faithful to pray for the ministry of SLS, partner with us, and support us in countless ways over the years. It was such a wonderful blessing to learn that Trinity voted to extend that support by making a donation to our school ministry. We serve a faithful God who generously provides for all of our needs, and you have been a key part of His provision for our school. We are so touched by your willingness to follow the lead of the Holy Spirit and partner with us to help nurture the Lutheran Christian faith in young hearts.

Romans 12:5 tells us, "We, though many, are one body in Christ." It is a beautiful thing to come together as the family of God and work together to share God's love with families in the Springfield community. Your generous donation will go to supporting the needs of our school program. We would also like to begin sending you periodic updates about what is happening at Springfield Lutheran School. We hope that these updates will help you feel connected to the ministry that you so generously supported. Your partnership with Springfield Lutheran School is making a difference in the kingdom of God. We again want to express our gratitude and appreciation. Trinity Lutheran Church is very special to us, and we thank God for you. You remain in our prayers.

To God be the glory!

In His Service,

Springfield Lutheran School





August UPDATE

Back to School

Springfield Lutheran School began its 46th year in ministry on August 14, 2025. God has continued to bless and grow our ministry by providing just the right faculty, staff, students, families, and community support. We are grateful for the opportunity to share God's Word with our students and their families.

SLS currently serves about 200 students from preschool through 8th grade. We are thrilled to partner with Springfield Lutheran High School to provide our community with quality Christian education opportunities at all ages and stages.

Haven't seen SLS in a while? We would love to give you a tour! Just give us a call at (417) 883-5717 or email us at sls@rlcmail.org.

A Joyful Noise

2025-2026 School Theme

The 2025-2026 school theme is "A Joyful Noise," based on Psalm 98:4, "Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises!" We are focusing our hearts on the joy that only Jesus can give, and praising Him in all that we do. Each month we will be learning a hymn of the month that is about joy. We also have theme shirts with this logo. Interested in purchasing a shirt? We have adult sizes and cost is \$10. Contact SLS at sls@rlcmail.org.

Hymn of the
Month

Jesus Loves Me

LSB 588

Upcoming Events

- School Picture Day Aug. 29
- Family Playdate at the Park Aug. 30
- Cross Country and Volleyball Ongoing

Stewardship Moment

Work and Keep

“The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to work it and keep it” (Genesis 2:15).

Genesis chapters one and two are familiar to us. We know them best as the Creation Account. Chapter one is where we hear the familiar, “let there be...and there was” directives.

Chapter two gives us the account of Adam (the man) being formed from the “Adamah” (the dust) and becoming a living being when he receives the breath of life in his nostrils. Because of this, it would be quite easy to simply lump these two chapters into the category of creation accounts.

But do not be too hasty in this! While these two chapters do faithfully relate to us the account of creation, they also give us the creation of the “office” of steward. The man, created in the image of God in Genesis 1 and formed from the dust in Genesis 2, is created for a distinct purpose. He is created to be a steward of the perfect and beautiful creation that the Lord has made! In fact, this is THE reason that man was made. He — and we — were created in the image of God to be stewards of God’s creation.



This purpose is spelled out in verse 15 of Genesis 2. The steward has one job, with two purposes. It is fitting that in the month that our nation marks Labor Day, we consider the task of steward. The first purpose of the job of steward is to work. The steward is the caretaker of the Garden. Being a steward is work! Before the fall into sin, this was not an onerous task. But it was an active thing.

Imagine being a farmer in the Garden of Eden! Work would be only harvest. No plowing. No planting. No cultivating. No weeding. The perfect garden that the Lord had made would simply produce automatically to provide for man, woman, and all living beings!

But there is a second task in verse fifteen. The word “keep” is not just a synonym for work. This second task is related to defending. This garden, holy by virtue of its being called into existence by a holy God, needed to be defended. Here is where the vocation of steward becomes priestly. The steward was to defend the perfect and holy garden from that which was unholy. Later in the Old Testament, this was the task of the priests in the tabernacle and temple. They were to defend with their lives the Holy of Holies. This too is the labor of stewardship. It is a labor that calls the steward to be willing to put the garden before life!

Stewardship was always work. It only got burdensome after the original steward, Adam, failed to defend the garden from the alien word of the serpent. But this was not a failure of harvest. It was a failure to defend the garden! As a result, all work that followed that failure became burdensome. The steward failed but was never fired. That is why we have such an issue with stewardship to this day. We continue to live out a pre-fall vocation in a fallen world as failed stewards. That is why we in the church need to be reminded of our vocational call to be stewards. We so easily forget that this world is not ours to do with as we please. Nothing is ours. We are but stewards entrusted with managing the creation for the glory of God and the benefit of the neighbor.

It is a daunting task. But it is the one to which we have been called. We cannot do it on our own. Apart from the grace of God shared with us through Jesus, we would be burdened to the point of temporal and eternal death. But the Holy Spirit calls us by the Gospel! This Gospel connects us to the fertile garden of Christ’s

Work on our behalf. Now we are stewards of that grace! The Holy Spirit works this in and through us today and every day.

This is the work of the church. It is also the work of the individual steward. The Lord has placed us in the “garden” with the same twofold purpose: work and keep! Enjoy your labor. For in the Lord, our labor is never in vain!

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 babysitting for the littles and our Kindergarten, 1st and 2nd graders have their own instruction time

When does Midweek start? Class begins 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

6:30 p.m. – Adult Bible Class – “Luther's Catchisms”

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.

Upcoming Meal Plan

Sept 3	Baja Bowls & Salad	Jen's Crew
Sept 10	Toasted Ravioli/Mozzarella sticks & veggies	Laura's Crew
Sept 17	Baked Potato Bar with veggie rolls	Linda/Amy

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.

IGNITE



MEMBERS OF THE CONGREGATION ENJOYED THE 5 WEEK IGNITE SERIES LED BY CALEB STAEHR, DIRECTOR OF PARISH MUSIC. SESSIONS FOCUSED ON THE HISTORY OF LUTHERAN HYMNAL, MUSICAL AND LITURGICAL COMPONENTS OF THE DIVINE SERVICE, AS WELL AS VESPERS, COMPLINE, MATINS, EVENING PRAYER, AND THE HOLDEN EVENING PRAYER.



*O LORD OPEN MY LIPS, AND MY MOUTH SHALL
DECLARE YOUR PRAISE. PSALM 51:15*



ALTAR GUILD WINE TASTING



ALTAR GUILD, COUNCIL AND MINISTRY MEMBERS GATHERED TO SELECT FROM AVAILABLE WINES WHICH VARIETALS WILL BE USED IN THE FUTURE AS COMMUNION WINE. THIS EVENING WAS HOSTED BY DENNIS AND AMY COOPER.

Join us for

Saturday Night FOR THE SAINTS



Ticket/Sponsor
Information

Benefiting
Endowment Fund at
**SPRINGFIELD
LUTHERAN**
S C H O O L

Join us in celebrating our school spirit.
Wear the school colors and enjoy a night of causal
food and fun. We will be serving Bambinos and a
sponsored happy hour. Table & individual tickets are
available. The endowment serves as a growth fund to
expand the school's growing needs and offer school
scholarships to students.

NOVEMBER 1ST 2025

OZARK EVENT CENTER

Happy Hour starts at 5:30 pm

Dinner & Program at 7:00 pm

DINNER • GAMES • AUCTION • DRINKS





Spirit Sponsor

Your sponsorship will provide all beverages for the evening. Sponsorship includes:

- 2 tables (Seating for 16 Guests)
- Featured sign and recognition on program at event.
- Head Logo/Name on a banner to hang in SLS gym for 2025/2026 school year.
- Recognition in school newsletter and social media accounts.
- VIP drink service at your table.



Joyful Sponsor

Your sponsorship will help offset costs for the evening. Sponsorship includes:

- 1 table (Seating for 8 Guests)
- Featured sign and recognition on program.
- Logo/Name on a banner to hang in SLS gym for 2025/2026 school year.
- Recognition in school newsletter and social media accounts.
- 2 Complementary premium bottles of wine.



Mission Sponsor

Your sponsorship will provide \$500.00 directly to help support classroom supplies.

Sponsorship includes:

- 1 table (Seating for 8 Guests)
- Featured sign and recognition on program.
- Logo/Name on a banner to hang in SLS gym for 2025/2026 school year.
- Recognition in school newsletter and social media



Saints Sponsor

Your sponsorship will provide a table for our teachers and staff to attend for the evening.

Sponsorship includes:

- Featured sign on table.
- Recognition on program.



Ticket/Sponsor
Information



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!

August Newsletter

-The Lutheran Student Center Springfield-



Hello everyone! We have just started school and are so happy to be back at the LSC to see all of our friends again! We have only been here for a little over a week but we have already done so much!

Our first event was our ice cream social on August 16th. We had fun catching up, playing yard games, and eating ice cream! Then we had Opening Worship the next day. We were blessed to have Pastor Dave Benson preach on our theme verse Psalm 119:105. We then had brunch afterward which was delicious! On Monday we went to Fun Acre for a round of mini golf! Some did better than others but everyone had a great time! Then on Tuesday we had our first Prayer and Praise of the semester! Our speaker was DCE Hannah Hayden from Redeemer and she talked about Christian Community.

On Thursday we had our first service project of the year. We made tie blankets for a local homeless shelter, The Kitchen! Afterwards we had a game night where we played everything from board games to video games, and had a lot of fun. On Saturday we had our Scavenger Hunt around Springfield. Matthew, Erin, and Cole ended up coming out on top. Then afterwards we went over to the Brand's for a bonfire! We ate hotdogs, made s'mores and just hung out. Thank you so much to the Brand's for hosting us again, we truly appreciate it! Then on Sunday we had our first church visit of the year, this time to Trinity. After church we went to Pappo's for lunch and had some great pizza!

What a start for the first week of the school year! Thank you to everyone who made it possible, we cannot wait to get up to more things this coming school year.



Thank you!

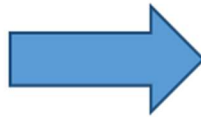
That's this month all wrapped up!
Thank you so much for your continued support! We are so blessed to have you by our side!

The trustees are in need of volunteers to assist in some major campus improvement projects.

Bell Tower: Thank you to the many have donated to clean the bell tower. The bell tower could be cleaned with the money donated but that would leave the rest of the buildings still needing cleaning. The plan is to clean what we can from the ground and then rent a lift to clean the upper sections. Clate Baker has already invested the time to clean the church office walls and is starting on the Family Center. Cracks in the bell tower will also be filled to stop leakage into the Narthex ceiling.



Help turn
walls like
this into this



Choir loft attic: Above the choir loft are two old ventilation panels that need to be sealed off and an access door to the roof included in the one of the panels.

There are many small projects as well. Contact Jeff Winter (417-350-2473) if you have questions or would like to volunteer.





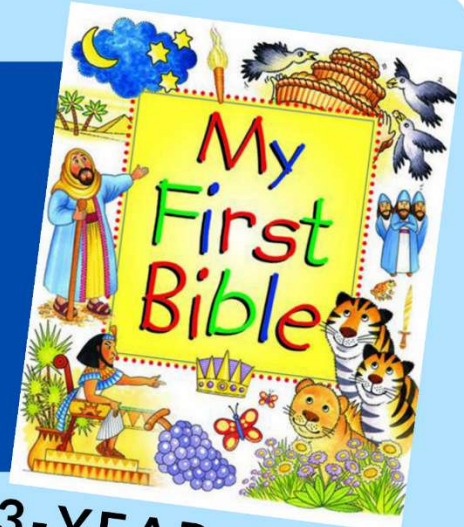
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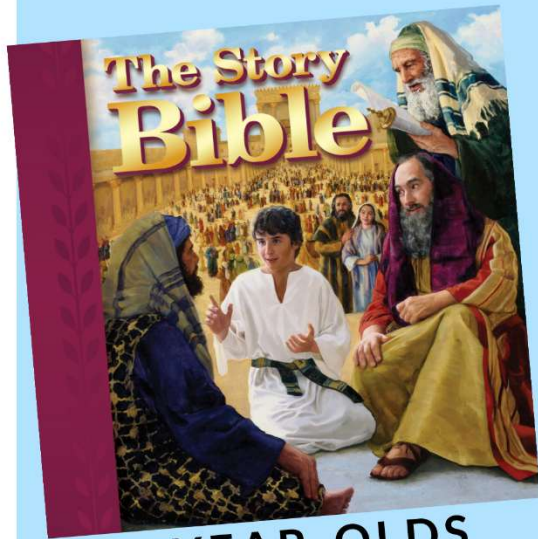
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Family Life Events & Activities

Story Bibles



3-YEAR-OLDS



6-YEAR-OLDS

Bring your milestone Bible and join other families of 3 and 6-year-olds to eat lunch, make crafts, and practice using your story Bible at home with some fun activities and free resources.



RSVP Here

Sunday, Sep. 28th 12:30-2:30 pm
Trinity Youth Room & Family Room

<https://forms.gle/oBSEju6hugvjRoFa9>

Trinity's Family Life Ministry Committee

News & Updates:

SLHS has officially launched! We are beyond grateful for what God has done to bring us to this point, and we are excited for what's yet to come! Take a look at what's been happening in August:

- **SLHS Officially Launched!**– We are overflowing with gratitude for everyone who attended, volunteered, and celebrated with us on August 13th during our Launch Day celebration—our incredible SLHS community of founding families, faculty, staff, and supporters. Most of all, we give all glory to God for what He has done, is doing, and will continue to do through Springfield Lutheran High School.
- **Accreditation Update** – We are thrilled to share that Springfield Lutheran High School is now officially accredited through three respected accreditation bodies: National Lutheran School Accreditation (NLSA), Missouri Nonpublic School Accrediting Association (MNSAA), National Federation of Nonpublic School State Accrediting Associations (NFNSSAA). We were honored to have Josh Swartz, Director of Schools, Missouri District - LCMS present us with our NLSA Accreditation certificate during our Launch Day celebration.
- **MSHSAA Update** – Springfield Lutheran High School is now officially a registered affiliate with the Missouri State High School Activities Association (MSHSAA)! MSHSAA promotes the value of participation, sportsmanship, team play, and personal excellence to develop citizens who make positive contributions to their community and support the democratic principles of our state and nation. We're thrilled for the opportunities this will bring to our students as we continue to grow and build a Christ-centered high school experience.



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:

- **Launch the Legacy: Day One Impact** – We give thanks to the Lord for His faithfulness and for the volunteers, staff, families, and supporters who partnered with His plan to bring SLHS to life! We invite you to continue supporting the SLHS ministry by prayerfully considering a financial gift. To easily make a donation in honor of the launch of SLHS, visit: givebutter.com/launchday
- **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.

scan to support the
SLHS Amazon Wish List



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Other Upcoming Events:

- **“Fuel the Future” Food & Fellowship Night** – Enjoy dinner out at *Chipotle* (3356 S Campbell) on September 23rd. Simply dine-in, drive-thru, or carryout anytime between 4-8 pm! Show a paper or digital copy of the flyer, or enter our personalized code (KYPRKAH) for online checkout! 25% of net sales will be donated to SLHS! SLHS Leadership will be on-site between 5:30-6:30 PM if you'd like to visit with them.
- **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!

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

Together in Christ,
SLHS Board of Directors & Staff

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



“TRINITY STYLE”

Back by Popular Demand!

Saturday, October 4th

EVENT HELD at MICKEY & LINDA MOORE'S HOUSE

4311 S. Farm Road 107, Brookline, MO

Just east of Republic High School!

This is a SHINE ONLY event and we will let you know
of cancellation by October 2nd.

Heady's BBQ Food Truck...5–7 p.m.

(Menu items will be available for purchase)

SMORES & MORE...7–8 p.m. (Provided)

(Bring your own “beer, wine, soda, water etc.” & chairs/blankets)

CORN HOLE, HORSESHOES, BEER STEIN CONTEST,

KIDS GAMES, POLKA DANCING, and FIREPITS!

**PLEASE USE TRINITY SIGNUP GENIUS, SIGNUP SHEET IN NARTHEX
OR GYM SO WE HAVE AN IDEA OF WHO'S COMING!**

WWW.SIGNUPGENIUS.COM/GO/20F0549A4AA2BA4FB6-TRINITY

CONTACT MELINDA @ 417-343-8785 IF NEEDED

Christmas Cards for Deployed Soldiers

During the month of September we will be collecting Christmas cards to send to soldiers through the USO. What to do:

- Find your stash of Christmas cards, write a short note thanking them for their service, sacrifices or whatever moves you.
- Do not put in an envelope (no envelopes needed for this project)
- Write notes in as many cards as you would like
- There will be Christmas cards available in the narthex to pick up and a basket to drop them off
- Let's let our soldiers know how much they are appreciated and prayed for.



HONOR, DUTY,
AND ABOVE ALL
FREEDOM.

CHRIST THE KING

WORSHIP CELEBRATION

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23

6:30 PM

REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH

SPRINGFIELD

CAMPUS



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 31- September 7, 2025

Today	The Twelfth 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
Monday	LABOR DAY - CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED NO Faith Foundations Women's Bible Study (begins 9-8-25)
Tuesday	6:00 p.m. Board of Elders Meeting 6:00 p.m. Pickleball, gym
Wednesday	5:00 p.m. Midweek Meal – Baja Bowls and Salad 5:45 p.m. Kids of the Kingdom 6:00 p.m. 7 th grade class (<i>No 8th grade class tonight</i>) / Nursery 6:30 p.m. 3 rd -6 th grade class/Good News Crew 6:30 p.m. Adult Catechism Study Pastor Hagerman at District Secretary Orientation
Thursday	7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study, Room 2 Pastor Hagerman at District Secretary Orientation
Friday	Church office closed Pastor Hagerman's day off Daniel Duffy's day off
Saturday	10:00 a.m. Circuit Forum at Faith Lutheran, Springfield
Next Sunday September 7	The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost 8:15 & 11:00 a.m. Divine Services 9:00 a.m. Granola with Grandparents, gym 9:30 a.m. Fellowship, gym 9:45 a.m. Sunday School & Adult Bible Class 5:30 p.m. Sunday Night ABS at the Marler's

Junior High Event – Calling all 6th, 7th, & 8th Graders -- Save the Date

Sunday, September 21 at 12:30 p.m.

It's time to take your faith... and your bowling skills... to the next level (or at least try to keep the ball out of the gutter). Join us for an afternoon of strikes and spares —because nothing says “fellowship” like a 10-pound ball and some neon shoes!



Bumpers available (grace abounds)



Pizza & snacks (manna from the bowling alley)



Prizes for most creative throw



A quick devo to keep us rolling with purpose

RSVP to Adam and Maddy Breshears