



Trinity Trumpet

Trinity Lutheran Church
Springfield, Missouri

June 2026



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

June 23 – July 4



Everyone is welcome to participate in any way you can to help with this annual 2 week fundraiser.

Trinity has been selling fireworks as a youth fundraiser for more than 25 years. We would love to have everyone who is able to come and work a shift (4 hours) or two between June 23 and July 4. Join us on Tuesday, June 23 as we set up tables, electrical, fireworks, etc., starting at 4:00 p.m. Pizza and drinks will be provided. If you have questions please contact Matthew Knehans at maknehans@gmail.com.

Location:

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Ozark, MO



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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 – May 24, 2026

Attendance:	8:15 a.m. 154	Previous week:	157
	11:00 a.m. 163		145

Tithes and Offerings:

Undesignated (General) Offerings		\$ 16,211.06
<u>Designated Gifts</u>		
Debt Reduction	\$ 200.00	M&M Camp Support
Christian Care	\$ 200.00	M&M Camp Registrations
World Missions	\$ 125.00	Family Life Events
R&R	\$ 200.00	Evangelism
Portals of Prayer	\$ 25.00	Gym Roof
		Total
		Total Gifts
		<u>\$ 1,760.00</u> \$ 17,971.06

Sunday School and Adult Bible Class for May 24

Preschool:	12	Junior High:	6
Elementary:	40	Adults:	74

FROM PASTOR HAGERMAN

Dear Trinity Family,

Greetings to you in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ! As the spring concludes and the summer begins, I find myself thinking a lot about growth. We're in the time of year when crops and plants are really growing and the landscape is looking steadily greener. As always, we pray for abundant rain this year (but not when we have outdoor activities scheduled!) so that everything continues to grow and the harvest is good all around our country and the world. Plus, it just looks a lot nicer when the plants are healthy and the flowers are blooming. I'd much rather see that than brown, dead grass any day.

Another reason why I'm thinking a lot about growth is because right now at Trinity, we have two major programs happening for kids that focus on it. The first is our Mighty Missionary Camp, which just concluded this weekend, and had the theme "Rooted in Christ." The camp used a great deal of imagery related to plants, seeds, roots, and growth as a metaphor for our relationship with God. Because we are rooted in Christ (that is, we trust in Him and immerse ourselves in His Word), the Holy Spirit works in our hearts to produce spiritual growth in faith in God and love for our neighbor. When we are metaphorically planted in the right place, we grow in ways that are pleasing to our Lord and beneficial for our faith and salvation.

The other program related to growth that is occurring now at Trinity is our summer Sunday school offering, called "Let's Get Growing." This program, developed by members of Trinity, teaches children about financial concepts and godly ways of managing one's material blessings. This is something that I'm excited to have my kids and all of Trinity's kids participate in, as money can be a challenging topic to discuss in the church, but everyone still needs appropriate guidance on how to use one's finances properly

for God’s glory and not for selfish again. The participants will grow in understanding, generosity, and above all faith as they hear about what God’s Word and experienced financial professionals have to say about managing one’s resources in the right way.

What’s most important when we think about growth in the church is that we understand that God is the one who makes the growth happen. He is the author of all our blessings, and we have nothing good apart from His gracious provision. As Luther’s Small Catechism says, He gives us everything we have “out of fatherly, divine goodness and mercy, without any merit or worthiness in me.” Our role as Christians is simply to receive the gifts that God has given us, whether we’re talking about material or spiritual blessings. Any growth that we experience in any area is the result of God’s graciousness to us, and we ultimately cannot take credit for it. When we remember that all of our blessings come from God, that helps us to view them with the proper perspective and understand that our goal needs to be to use those blessings in ways that are pleasing to Him. For the God who has done so much for us, both materially and spiritually, we can do nothing less.

I pray that God would send us His Holy Spirit, as He has for our entire lives, so that all of us at Trinity would continue to grow in faith in Him and love for one another. Just as He provides growth for plants and crops all over the world, so too does He do for us in all aspects of our lives. Through His Son Jesus Christ, we have been brought into His kingdom and under His lordship, so that He has now blessed us in every aspect of our lives. May He help us to remember this and give Him all the glory, so that we may continue to grow in all ways until the day we see Him face to face!

In Christ,
Pastor Hagerman



In the month of June not only do we celebrate Father’s Day, we celebrate all the men of our congregation for being spiritual leaders and mentors to our children and their families. In their honor, we will provide a night of fellowship for our men Sunday night, June 28th at 5:30 p.m. BBQ meal will be

served, Dylan Stretch, local auctioneer and comedian will provide some after dinner entertainment. Weather permitting, the fun will continue with some friendly cornhole games on the neighboring lawn to west of church where you can BYO Beverage. Plan to attend and feel free to bring a friend!

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FROM VICAR OLOFF

Dear Trinity,

I left off last month's discussion about environmentalism with the idea of a soccer player. He is rooted on one leg, standbein; and he is free to move the other leg, speilbein. This is for how to approach the topic of environmentalism. We are rooted in Christ and His Word and Sacraments but we are still able to explore the world and find out how to manage the ecosystems around us with the free leg, the speilbein. Let's continue our discussion.

CHRISTIAN APPROACH TO ENVIRONMENTALISM

How should I as a Christian approach the topic of environmentalism? First understand that many scientists, officials, leaders, and activists are interested in conversations between groups. There certainly are those who will stick to their position no matter what, but increasingly especially in the science realm, conversations are encouraged amongst people of all backgrounds.

Second, recognize there is truth to what is presented. Are global temperatures increasing? Yes. Are humans the causes? Maybe. What does increasing temperatures mean for the future of humans and the planet? We don't know. That unknown is unsettling. It is a major influence on many of the interest groups' decisions to act a certain way or promote and encourage certain legislation. It can also be overwhelming for the individual living in Springfield, MO to be confronted with a global dilemma. What sort of impact can I have to stop these doomsday predictions?

Let's pause there. When things get so overwhelming we return to the things that are constant: God's Word. Here are a few of many important points in no particular order with just a short thought.

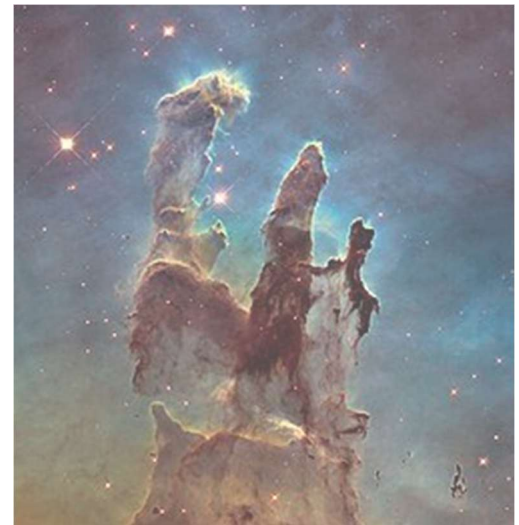
1. God created all things. Humans are part of creation. There is God and then there is everything else. While God did create humans in His image and with a command to rule over, manage, and have dominion over everything else, we are still just creatures. God is God and we are not.

2, Sin corrupts all creation, not just humans. Jeremiah 12:4 and Hosea 4:1-3 describe all of creation groaning and crying out under the rest of sin.

3. Do not focus just on environmental issues. This makes the works of God small. Creation is only part of the story. When we say the Apostle's Creed we do not stop at the 1st Article. We continue to the second and the third. Redemption can only be meaningful when placed in the orbit of creation and sanctification.

4. God's act of creating out of nothing, creatio ex nihilo really speaks to the nature of God. He is filled with grace and generosity. His purposes are not our purposes and we do not know what He has in mind. While he does whatever He pleases he does things out of mercy (Psalm 135:5-6).

5. God creates for the love of it. Job 38-40 is a creation account without humans. As you read through this tour Job is given of creation, notice how God acts and speaks about creation. He loves it. Creating is what He loves to do. Psalm 104 is another example of God just creating for the sake of it. This is the same love that redeems you and me. "All this He does only out of fatherly, divine goodness and mercy, without any merit or worthiness in me" (Luther's Small Catechism).



6. God continues to create. Luther in his Large Catechism describes creatures as “the hands, channels, and means through which God bestows all blessings.” He describes God giving mothers breasts and milk for their infants as a way of continuing and sustaining creation. These are things no creature can produce, but through the grace of God he blesses us with the ability to provide.

7. All creation praises God. Psalm 148. It is not just humans that are exalting the LORD, all creation signs out praise.

8. Matthew 6:25-33 God will take care of what He has created. We are managers or gardeners yes, but it is in God's hands and if we miss something or mess up He is forgiving.

CONCLUDING THOUGHTS

On April 8, 2026 Artemis II circled the moon. It is the furthest humans have ever traveled from earth, farther than Apollo 8. As these astronauts orbited the moon they took a picture and again we gazed at ourselves, the pale blue marble. Here in the place we call earth is our home and the place God has given to us to live and to manage and to have dominion over. Here is where we have made mistakes and triumphs. Looking at that pale blue marble with all the environmental messages before us, it can be daunting to approach environmentalism. Rooted in Scripture we can listen to scientists and other groups on best ways to manage nature. First of all, should we actually be environmentalists or not? I would argue yes, but not in the way the world would recognize it. Like Luther organized the catechism, begin with things you can control and move out. Think of concentric circles starting with self and moving out to all of creation.

Here is how to think about this and some examples to be more environmentally friendly. Body, self, food, and drink - Become interested in where your food is coming from and clean drinking water.



House and home - install more efficient windows or turn the thermostat up in summer and down in winter (this also saves money). Garden and yard - plant native plants instead of water thirsty grass or a vegetable garden or flower garden for pollinators. Church and school - do educational programs get kids outside and involved in nature. Neighborhood and Community - join a local bird watching group, push against road widening measures. The Whole of Creation - go watch the Sandhill crane migration in Nebraska and see the wonder of God present in 200,000 birds flying over your head.

I really hope this is helpful to you. It is a topic that needs more discussion and attention. Yes you can be an environmental advocate and a Christian. For those stressed by such things, God is in control. For those who wish to leave it alone, you are on the same marble as the rest of us. God loves nature and as creatures made in His image it should be a love of ours also.

In Christ,
Vicar Oloff



Peyton Holland (former vicar at Trinity) will be installed as the sole pastor of Holy Cross Lutheran Church in Ste. Genevieve, MO on Sunday, June 7 at 3:00 p.m. Keep him and his wife Hayleigh in your prayers as they begin this new chapter.

FROM DCE DUFFY

Trinity Members,

As I pause to write this in a moment of calm amidst the excitement that is M&M Camp, I cannot help but praise God for this ministry. Although I have only experienced a few days of it for myself, the past 10 months have been filled with stories of the impact that M&M Camp has had on Trinity's kids and volunteers. There is something about retreat-like experiences that have a powerful spiritual effect on those involved. Time away from normal routines and things that typically occupy your head space replaced with connection to friends, the clear message of the gospel, and encouragement from the church can be life changing.

Our Sr. High students prepare to leave for their Higher Things Conference in less than 1 month. I want to be able to thank you, the congregation, for caring so deeply for the young people in our church and supporting, both financially and prayerfully, this trip. The children of Trinity are richly blessed with many gifts and experiences, all made possible with your generous offerings. Whether you support us financially, with your time, or with prayers, our Sr. high ministry is grateful.

15 high school students and 4 adult chaperones will leave for St. Louis on June 30 to be immersed in an worship, learning, and Christian fellowship. Please pray that this experience be a time of growth for the kid's faith and as young men and women in this world.

Many Thanks,
Daniel Duffy DCE

Adult Bible Study (ABS)

SUNDAY

Time	Topic	Leader	Location
9:45 AM	Bible Reading Journey	Pastor Biermann	Sanctuary
9:45 AM	Gospel of Mark	Vicar Oloff	Gym
9:45 AM	1 Peter	Bob Quebbeman	Woker Room
9:45 AM	The Stuff They Didn't Teach Me in Sunday School -- Esther	Zeke Young	Heilman Room
9:45 AM	Senior High Youth	Josh Sexton	Youth Room, West Wing

THURSDAY

7:00 AM	Men's Bible Study	Adam Breshears & Matthew Knehans	Room 2, Family Center
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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. The location has changed to the Sanctuary.

Gospel of Mark -- The Gospel of Mark is a Gospel of action. It is the shortest of the Gospels and often is seen as the simplest, and least refined and developed. This is far from the truth. The Gospel of Mark is a powerful account of Jesus' ministry and Passion. In this class we will walk through Mark and experience how the works of Jesus combine with His words to proclaim He is the Son of God in whom we have forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation. This is led by Vicar Oloff in the gym.

1 Peter -- This class is led by Dr. Bob Quebbeman in the Woker room, located in the Family Center.

Esther -- The prophets of the Old Testament were specialists when it came to spotting and condemning sin. As God's bold emissaries, they were to call His people "on the carpet" for their wanton ways, seeking, if possible, their repentance and heartfelt allegiance. Follow along as these chosen ambassadors speak God's harsh judgment and His eternal promise in "Stuff They Didn't Teach Me in Sunday School about the Prophets." Facilitated by Zeke Young.

High School Bible Study -- Sunday mornings Josh Sexton teaches our high school students (9th-12th grade).

Sale Dates:
June 24-July 4



**MARTIN'S
FIREWORKS**

1320 W. Skyline Ave.
Ozark, MO

Attention all Members

It is time once again for our HUGE fundraiser that goes toward all of our youth programs.

- Sr. High Youth - LCMS Youth Gathering & Higher Things
- Age-Based/Enhancement projects
- M&M Camp
- Mark Schultz Scholarship Fund

How can you help?

- Set up Tuesday, June 23 @ 4:00 p.m.
- Sign up for 2-3 shifts during our open dates
- Bring your family & friends to the tent to buy fireworks
- Contact Matthew Knehans - maknehans@gmail.com

From Ambrose Shaltanis (incoming vicar)

Dear Sisters and Brothers at Trinity Lutheran Church,

Greetings in the Lord! I am extremely excited and grateful to have been assigned to Trinity Lutheran Church for my vicarage assignment for this next year. I have been incredibly blessed during my Seminary time to learn and study while being immersed in the church, and joyfully await an opportunity to interact with, learn from, and minister to the people of God.

I am very much looking forward to the multitude of opportunities to work and serve the mission of the church on earth. I come to Trinity as a student who is still in the midst of education, and thus recognize that I have much to learn, and am anticipating that serving at Trinity will be a wonderful learning experience for me and my formation as well. I am excited therefore, not only to engage with the congregation, but also to see how the Lord works through Trinity to enrich my learning as I prepare for the pastoral ministry.

I am also very much looking forward to getting to know the members of the congregation, and hope that it will be reciprocal. I have no doubt that you all will learn much about me over our time together, but for now, here are a few details about myself for your consideration. I am a pastor's son, and have spent nearly equal time in both California and Texas (most recently) at the churches that my dad has been called to. I focused on pre-seminary studies during my undergrad at Concordia University Wisconsin, as well as music. This is also one of my biggest hobbies outside of reading and writing, but I am also always open to experiencing new and exciting activities.

I pray that our time together will be full of growth in faith, learning, and personal development. I also pray for congregations such as Trinity that the Lord would continue to preserve His church, bless it and keep it. I give thanks that there are congregations willing to take on and support a vicar, and that this important step for pastoral development is carried on.

Blessings in Christ,
Ambrose Shaltanis



Let's Get Growing!

Hey Kids!



- Are you ready for something fun this summer?
- Do you like Games and Puzzles?
- Are you into Art or Music?
- How about Freaky Fun Facts?
- Maybe Gardening?
- Want to Boost your Confidence?
- Just like to have FUN?



GROWING IN
FAITH, WISDOM
AND FINANCIAL
CONCEPTS

Join us this Summer During the Sunday School Hour!
All Kids Pre-K through Sixth Grade are Welcome!

Then **Let's Get Growing!**

Begins May 31!

See You Then!

Contact Ann Marie Baker **417.830.2533**
for more Information

WEDNESDAY WORKSHOPS

“Family” Devotions, Brief Presentations on God’s
Design for Relationships, & Small Group
Discussions for All Ages

JUNE 17TH - CHURCH FAMILY
JULY 22ND - THE WORLD/EVANGELISM

WORKSHOP SCHEDULE

5:00 - Dinner by Midweek Meal Crew (\$5/adult)
5:30 - Opening, Devotion, & Presentation
6:00 - Small Groups led by Trinity Members
6:45 - Wrap Up Discussions & Head Home

Contact Daniel Duffy or
Hannah Knehans



Please RSVP Here

Trinity Women in Action (TWiA)



***Thank you so much Trinity Congregation, for the Mite Offerings, which totaled \$47.00. Romans 15:13- "*She hath wrought a good work on me.*" The LWML Mite collections will go towards: Christ-Centered Hope for Cancer Patients-Phil's Friends, 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, June 14, 2026.



Join us as we celebrate the seventh anniversary of the planting of **The Tomorrow Tree!** Planted and observed with a breathtaking balloon launch on June 2, 2019, this visible symbol reminds us of the connection of planting, nurturing, and enjoying fruits for years to come. Both the tree and our endowment are growing through the blessings and stewardship of our Trinity family. We encourage taking photos of our growing Trinity kiddos alongside the blossoming Tomorrow Tree! You won't want to miss this fun celebration to be held **June 14 at 10:45 a.m.** See you then!

LUTHERANS FOR LIFE

THE RUMMAGE SALE to end all rummages sales is just around the corner. Are you cleaning those closets, basements and attics???? Each year, Lutherans for Life is convinced that everyone has emptied out all their “treasures” at previous sales, but each year, we are pleasantly surprised. You may begin bringing your items to Trinity’s gym TOMORROW at 1415 S. Holland. For more information, please contact Kim DeLuce at 417-343-1126 or text Theresa Rader at 417-840-4675. Lutherans for Life depends on this annual sale to fund our many Pro-life activities. We deeply appreciate your support!

Lutherans for Life

invites you to join in our Annual

Mother’s Day – Father’s Day Ingathering

We firmly believe in the sanctity of life.... ALL STAGES of life. This year we will be gathering donations for Newborns in Need which provides over 100 layettes EACH MONTH to His littlest lambs, Sammy’s Window (a support agency for children in foster care) providing help for families who have taken small strangers into their home in over 28 counties and gifts for the elderly who are often forgotten in a local nursing home. What can you bring??? The list is almost endless. Baby Supplies, Hygiene products – toothbrushes, toothpaste, shampoo, detangle conditioner, hairbrushes, soap – think Dollar Tree here..... Cereal, Spaghetti sauce, noodles, – you name it. Large Print puzzle books, Veteran ball caps, lotions and tissues. A collection tub will be in the narthex.

*Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves,
for the rights of all who are destitute. Proverbs 31:8*



MONTHLY HOME DISCIPLESHIP HELPS

Hannah L. Knehans - Director of Family Life Ministry (DFLM)

The Eternal Impact of Camp

One of my favorite traditions at Trinity is that of putting on a week of camp for our 3rd-8th graders. This year, campers connected biblical themes of God's plan of salvation through Jesus and the life of a Christian with God's design for plants and trees. The theme verse (John 15:5) is a reminder that all of us as Christians can only "bear fruit", spread the Gospel or serve others, because of what we have received from Jesus, the vine.

While our camp theme changes each year, our overall goals remain the same. Our main goal is to point to God and what He's done for us. Through every devotion, Bible lesson, and act of caring kindness from others, we seek to point everyone to our Mighty Savior. The other goals are to help campers create lifelong memories and spend fun time enjoying nature, making crafts, participating in activities, and eating good food while building friendships.

The name M&M Camp helps remind everyone (campers, staff, parents, and camp supporters) that we are all mighty missionaries on a mighty mission. Our mission is to spread the good news of Jesus, what He's done for us and what He will do, to everyone around us. The heart of Camp is the Gospel.

The questions in the side bar can help you or your campers reflect on the week of camp and spark some fun conversations! One of the best ways to create lasting memories from church events is to talk about and reflect on the experience.

Bringing Camp Home

Day 1 - Tree of Life

What does Jesus give you freely when you ask? What is the "tree of life"?

What or who made you laugh this week?

Day 2 - Tree of the Cross

How did you show Jesus' love to someone at camp this week? Tell about the hoedown on Thursday!

Day 3 - Jesus the Vine

Tell some of the Bible stories you learned about this week. Which activity at camp was your favorite? What did you make during craft time?

Day 4 - Tree of Life Redux

How can you be a Mighty Missionary and "bear fruit" or tell others about Jesus? What do you want to remember the most from camp this year?



Men's Night Out and Church Ladies Night Out

These two groups who usually meet monthly will not be meeting this summer (June, July or August). Both groups will pick up their usual schedule in September.

Summer Women's Bible Study

**Great servanthood: How Women
in Leadership Point us to the
Greatest Servant**

June 1, 15 and 29

July 13 and 27

August 10 and 24

9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m.

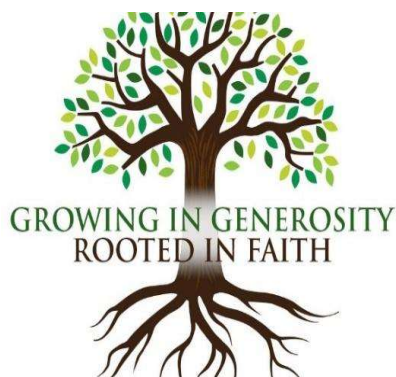
Trinity Family Center

Contact Dakotah Gumm
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Stewardship Moment

What Do You Want?

One of the best-known and most-beloved psalms is Psalm 23, the “Shepherd Psalm.” There we learn that the Lord is our Shepherd. And since He is our Shepherd, we will not want. We will not suffer want because the Lord, our Shepherd, will lead us to green pastures and beside still waters. In other words, the Lord, our Shepherd, will provide for all that we need in both body and soul.



Yet, we live as though this is not the case. We live as though we actually suffer from want, that the Lord, our Shepherd, will not provide for all that we need. And thus, we live as though the Lord is not our Shepherd. And that means that we live as though we are not the Lord’s sheep.

When do we live as though the Lord is not our Shepherd? When we put anything else before Him and His provision for us. When we think that going to work is more important than receiving His gifts in church on Sunday (in violation of the First and Third Commandments). When we fail to give generously of the first fruits of what the Lord has provided for us because we don’t know what the future will bring (even though He has promised that He will lead us to green pastures and still waters).

We live as though we are not the Lord’s sheep when we think that the Lord is only in the business of helping those who will help themselves. We act this way because our minds are set on earthly, temporal things and not on heavenly, eternal things. We act this way because we have stopped hearing the call of our Shepherd, which comes through His Word.

Through the Word of God, the Shepherd calls us to Himself. Through the Word, the Holy Spirit gathers and enlightens us with His gifts. Through the Word, we are kept holy and nourished in the one true faith, the faith that follows our Shepherd wherever He leads us. He promises to lead us to our true home, to the land flowing with milk and honey, to a better country, not of this world, but a heavenly one.

And so, here’s the Good News: the Lord is your Shepherd, even and especially for wayward sheep. For Jesus seeks and saves those who are lost. He finds the lost sheep and carries them back to the fold. He is the Shepherd who lays down His life for His sheep. The Lord is your Shepherd. Let us live as His sheep.

Mother's Day 2026



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!



Save the Date: Lutheran Ladies Retreat
Dates: September 11-12, 2026
Location: Westgate Branson Resort
Theme: "Wonder-FULL World" – exploring God's love and wonder.

Registration begins on June 7, 2026. Please stay tuned for further details.

MAY UPDATES



SPRINGFIELD
LUTHERAN
HIGH SCHOOL

Student Life

May marked a joyful conclusion to the inaugural school year at Springfield Lutheran High School! Students completed coursework and final exams and celebrated the close of a historic first year with a variety of activities throughout the month, including an all-school picnic, an awards banquet, and a school dance alongside friends from Springfield Lutheran School (SLS).

Students also participated in a special Capstone Expedition Learning trip to St. Louis. Along the way, students attended a concert by the Ava Motets, featuring SLHS student Aria Yoo on violin, before traveling to St. Louis and experiencing dorm life at Concordia Seminary, St. Louis. During the trip, students visited the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod International Center, worshipped in chapel, recorded a podcast at KFYO Radio, met LCMS President Matthew Harrison, explored the Concordia Historical Institute museum, and served alongside Christian Friends of New Americans (CFNA) through a renovation project supporting their ministry efforts.

The school year officially concluded with a closing chapel service on May 20, giving students, families, staff, and supporters an opportunity to reflect on God's faithfulness throughout this inaugural year.

We thank and praise God for His abundant blessings throughout this year of growth, learning, service, and Christ-centered community, and we are deeply grateful for the many families, congregations, supporters, volunteers, and friends who supported SLHS throughout this inaugural year. We can't wait to see what next year holds. To God be the glory!



2nd Annual SLHS Golf Tournament

Registration and sponsorship opportunities are now open for the **Second Annual SLHS Golf Tournament at Horton Smith Golf Course on Monday, August 24, 2026!**

Visit springfieldlutheranhs.org/golftournament for more information.

2026-27 Enrollment Now Open

Interested in enrollment? We can't wait to meet you! **Enrollment for 9th, 10th, and 11th grades is open for the 2026-27 school year.**

Visit springfieldlutheranhs.org/apply for more information.

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ORGAN DEDICATION RECITAL/HYMN SING

6 pm Sunday, June 14, 2026

Featuring
Caleb Staehr,
organist



Allen organs



Reception to follow

*Heit's Point Lutheran
2026 summer camps
at Lake of the Ozarks*



Family Camps:

June 15-19 & Aug. 2-7 

Art Camp & ALL Camp: June 7-12

Caving Week: June 21-26 

**Discovery Camp K-3rd grade
June 28-30**

Basketball Week: July 5-10 

Water Week: July 19-24 

HS/MS Servant Event: July 12-17



2026 theme:
Seek God first



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NOW HIRING PRESCHOOL DIRECTOR



Redeemer Nixa Preschool is seeking a part-time Preschool Director to lead and support our Christ-centered early childhood program. Our preschool strives to nurture God's children as they grow and prepare for school. We aim to create a love for Jesus, a love for learning and a love for each other. The Preschool Director will play a vital role in cultivating a welcoming, faith-filled atmosphere for children, families, and staff while overseeing the daily operations and long-term growth of the program.



For a full job description and to apply please visit:

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Sunshine Elementary

SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE



SUPPORT. EDUCATE. EMPOWER.

Help us provide the tools students need to learn, grow, and shine!



WE ARE PURCHASING SCHOOL SUPPLIES FOR **2ND & 3RD GRADE**

OUR GOAL: **\$2,200**



WHY IT MATTERS

Your gift helps ensure every student has the supplies they need for a successful school year.



HOW TO GIVE

Please designate contributions to **Sunshine Elementary School Supply Drive**. Thank you!



TOGETHER, WE CAN MAKE A BIG DIFFERENCE IN THE LIVES OF YOUNG LEARNERS!



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:

Brad Brandt, brother of Nancy Spencer
Ramon DeArmas, friend of Bob & Lisa Schroeder
Derald Eggerman, brother of Don Eggerman
Michelle Hicks, friend of Pam Osterloh
David Hoke, friend of Barbara Roehl
Carolyn Johnson, aunt of Carmen Boyd
Jenee Kernan, friend of Carl & Linda Oughton
Lawrence Kitchen, grandfather of Mandy Patton

Elaine Kruger, sister of Fran Wald
Melissa Larimore, daughter of Sheila Ankrom
Traci Prater, friend of Rich & Lu Crabtree
Dawn Price, friend of Dave & Joni Sommerer
Lynn Rogers, friend of Carmen Swinney
Sharon Schmidt, mother of Candace Gaede
Rob Snyder, nephew of Sheila Ankrom
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
Jerry Williams

For Those Facing Ongoing Health Issues

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

Kathy Polacoff
Dr. Grace St. Pierre
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 May 31-June 7, 2026

Today	<p>The Holy Trinity Family Sunday 8:15 & 11:00 a.m. Divine Services 9:30 a.m. Fellowship & Scrip Card Sales, gym 9:45 a.m. Let's Get Growing (pre-k to 6th grade), Sunday School for the littles, Jr. & Sr. High & Adult Bible Class 1:30 p.m. Higher Things Parent/Child Meeting 3:00 p.m. Basketball, gym 6:00 p.m. Family Sunday Game Night, gym</p>
Monday	<p>1:00 p.m. Church Office Opens LFL Rummage Sale Drop Off begins Caleb Staehr's day off Pastor Hagerman attends Doxology Conference, Wichita (June 1-4)</p>
Tuesday	<p>6:00 p.m. Pickleball, gym</p>
Wednesday	<p>Daniel Duffy on vacation (June 3-7)</p>
Thursday	<p>7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study, Foyer</p>
Friday	<p>Church Office Closed Pastor Hagerman, Vicar Oloff, and Daniel Duffy's day off</p>
Saturday	<p>9:00 a.m. Visitation for Charlott Zimmerman 10:00 a.m. Funeral Service for Charlott Zimmerman</p>
Next Sunday June 7	<p>The Second Sunday after Pentecost 8:15 & 11:00 a.m. Divine Services 9:30 a.m. Fellowship, gym 9:45 a.m. Let's Get Growing (pre-k to 6th grade), Sunday School for the littles, Jr. & Sr. High & Adult Bible Class 3:00 p.m. Peyton Holland Installation, Holy Cross Lutheran, Ste Genevieve 3:00 p.m. Basketball, gym Caleb Staehr on vacation</p>