



Trinity Trumpet

Trinity Lutheran Church
Springfield, Missouri
September 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

Catechism CLASSES



All children in 3rd-8th grades please join us each Wednesday for class.



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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 23, 2026

Attendance: 8:15 a.m. 213
 11:00 a.m. 235

Previous week: 173
 165

Tithes and Offerings:

Undesignated (General) Offerings \$ 11,638.88

Designated Gifts

Debt Reduction	\$	200.00	Portals of Prayer	\$	25.00
Christian Care	\$	235.00	Senior High Youth	\$	100.00
R&R	\$	225.00	M&M Camp Support	\$	100.00
Gym Roof	\$	100.00	World Missions	\$	500.00
Tomorrow Fund	\$	100.00	Building Use Fees	\$	250.00
Midweek Meal	\$	224.58	Total	\$	<u>2,059.58</u>
			Total Gifts	\$	<u>13,698.46</u>

NO SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE ON AUGUST 23 - RALLY SUNDAY FESTIVITIES

FROM PASTOR HAGERMAN

Dear Trinity Family,

Greetings to you in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ! I am writing this letter the day after our Rally Sunday celebrations this past Sunday, and I want to reiterate to everyone how pleased I was with how everything went. The ministry fair during the Bible class hour in particular I think was a great success. It was wonderful to see all of the different groups and ministries of Trinity represented with displays in the same room. It reminded me of just how active our congregation is in so many different ways, and of how blessed we are to have such a thriving ministry. I'd like to thank everyone who put in the time and effort to make the ministry fair a success: the Fellowship Committee for providing breakfast, the committee chairs for making their displays, and all the members of Trinity who participated and wrote down their names as potential volunteers. And of course, I thank all of the Sunday School and Midweek School teachers who work hard to share the love of Jesus with the children and adults of our congregation. I am blessed to have so many faithful and talented teachers to support me in my role of preaching the Gospel and teaching the Word of God at Trinity.

For the rest of my article this month, I'm keeping things very simple: I would like to encourage all of you to stop by Thunder Thrift, which is a new fundraising ministry being administered by Springfield Lutheran High School. As many of you have probably heard, SLHS has opened a new thrift store located at Jefferson Avenue Baptist Church at Jefferson and Sunshine, less than a mile south of Trinity. We were able to find a great space that JABC was interested in renting, and it's very difficult to beat the location right along busy Sunshine Street. To get to the store, you have to go around to the back of the building, where the church parking lot is. Now that we have a nice big sign in the front of the church, it should be easy for everyone to find it!

In order to succeed, Thunder Thrift needs three basic things: donations, customers, and volunteers. If you have been in the habit of taking your old clothes, kitchenware, toys, or other items to stores like Goodwill or Red Racks, please consider taking them to Thunder Thrift instead. Likewise, if you ever

enjoy shopping at thrift stores, try Thunder Thrift before you go anywhere else. The proceeds from all sales go to a great cause!

Also, if you are ever available during the hours of 9:00 AM-1:00 PM on Wednesday-Saturday, please consider serving as a volunteer at the store. Volunteers are needed to sort through items, price them, and place them on the shelves. They can also help with customer service, bagging items, or working the register. If you have any interest in volunteering, you can do so at this website: <https://springfieldlutheranhs.org/thunderthrift>. We hope that you will all support this great ministry that helps our local Lutheran high school.

God's blessings to us all at Trinity as we begin our new school year together in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ!

In Christ,
Pastor Hagerman

FROM VICAR SHALTANIS

Dear members of Trinity,

As I am beginning my time serving at Trinity, something that I am looking forward to leading is a Bible Study on the Formula of Concord in the Lutheran Confessions. Now, for the sake of brevity (and to encourage you all to attend the Bible Study), I will not go into a detailed account of what the Formula is here. Instead, I want to discuss what it means to hold to a confession, and why this is so important, not only for our Lutheran Church body, but for Biblical interpretation and understanding.

When a pastor gets ordained, they make their ordinations vows and promise to uphold two documents: Scripture and the Book of Concord. Upon first glance, one might be confused by this. "Why is the Book of Concord being elevated to the level of Scripture? I thought that Lutherans confessed Scripture Alone." you might say. And you might have a point in saying this as well. One of the core principles of the Reformation was that of authority, with the Reformers taking issue with the Pope making unbiblical decrees into law. It is precisely because of this, however, that the Book of Concord exists. It provides a written account of what Scripture says, and how it should be interpreted, so that nobody is able to bend Scripture to their own will, but instead be checked. Again, this still sounds like the Book of Concord is being elevated to an almost uncomfortably high position. Scripture shouldn't need to be checked by anything, it is already the ultimate authority, right? As someone who has struggled with these concerns myself, I want to discuss how we can and should rightly interpret and view Scripture in the best way we can according to right principles.

The reason why Confessions exist is to mediate between two extreme positions. On the one hand, they show that the Scriptures are accessible to everyone, and that not only one person has the authority to interpret them and say what they mean. On the other hand, they are affirming a clear intended meaning of Scripture. This is to counter the opposite point of view which might say that every person has a right to determine what Scripture means, and thus make its meaning subjective.

To understand how the Confessions balance this, we should first have some prior assumptions about God and the Bible. First, we have to understand that the Bible is how God reveals Himself to us and communicates to us. Since we, unlike the Apostles, have not witnessed Jesus in the flesh, we need to have faith that the words passed down to us are true. Because God has so carefully preserved His written Word

and given authors and scribes to keep it for us, it is clear that He desires us to receive the message. After all, He says as much in the Bible itself (1 Timothy 2:4). God is Truth, and He wants us to know and come to the truth as well through His Word. So, not only do we know that Scripture is God's way of coming and engaging with us, but we know that He desires to come to give us a specific message with a specific goal.

This is where so many Christians diverge. Many have the same views on what that goal is (to bring all to eternal life), but they have different opinions on how that goal is brought about. Are we saved by grace through faith, or are we saved by good works? Is Christ really present in the Lord's Supper, or is it merely a symbol? These misunderstandings reveal a difficult communicational dilemma. The goal of communication is to achieve *understanding*. Words are the medium by which a person conveys their thoughts and ideas to another person. When we engage in a conversation with someone else, often we are not able to repeat back exactly what they said word for word, but we are usually able to know what they meant. Other times, two people might hear the same words, but may understand the meaning differently which can lead to confusion.

This confusion is able to happen even in Scripture. A strong example of this is Jesus' words in Matthew 16, where He says to Peter "And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it." (Matthew 16:18). Roman Catholics interpret this passage to mean that Jesus is building the church upon Peter himself, while Lutherans believe that Jesus is building the church upon Peter's previous confession (that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the Living God). Neither position is made perfectly clear from the text, instead, context must be used to interpret what meaning Jesus wants us to receive. This is where the Confessions come in. The Confessions use the entirety of Scripture to interpret itself so that they come to the understanding that God intends for us to have. This understanding is not brought about by one person's interpretation of one singular passage, but takes the whole message of Scripture and applies it to every individual part. Then, the authors of the Confessions communicate that message in a clear and simple way to eliminate any confusion that might be there.

So, when a pastor pledges to hold to the Book of Concord, he is really still promising to hold to the correct meaning and understanding of Scripture. The Confessions do not add to or supplement Scripture in any way, instead they shine a light which illuminates the meaning of Scripture and makes it understandable to those who read them. They take the whole of Scripture, and interpret it according to itself, and they do so in a way that leaves no room for confusion over proper doctrine. Lutherans still believe in Scripture Alone, we just use the Confessions as a tool to understand what is said in Scripture. God reveals Himself through the Scriptures, not the Lutheran Confessions, and it is important to recognize the place that Scripture has in the life of a Christian. Nevertheless, it is also important to be able to aware of any confusion that may occur during a reading of Scripture, and so, we Lutherans have the Confessions in place that they may serve and reflect the truths in Scripture.

In Christ,
Vicar Shaltanis



FROM DCE DUFFY

Trinity Lutheran Small Groups Ministry

Greetings,

You may recall a few months back when you were asked to complete a survey about family discipleship, designed to help direct some of the ministry efforts of our congregation. There were many interesting insights that came out of the survey, and for one in particular, the response was so overwhelming that we had no choice but to act. Of Trinity members who responded to the survey (across all demographics, men, women, single, married, parents, young, middle-aged, older adults), when asked which Christian education events they would actually prioritize in your schedule, 73% selected Small groups ministry. This selection gathered 2x as positive a response as any other option.

Trinity is beginning our small group ministry with one goal in mind: To provide an opportunity for members to care for one another through strengthening relationships and spiritual growth. The foremost benefit of a small group ministry is to provide an opportunity for spiritual care to our neighbors. We often think that the job of spiritual care belongs to the pastor, and while that is true in many ways, all Christians are called to the spiritual care of their neighbor. Consider Jesus' words to his disciples, "Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another's feet" (John 13:14), and Paul the Apostle's encouragement to Christians, "Be devoted to one another in brotherly love. Honor one another above yourselves...Live in harmony with one another (Romans 12:10,16). The Christian life is not one of isolation but of community with fellow believers so that we can encourage and strengthen one another spiritually.

So, consider this the official launch of the Trinity Lutheran Small Groups Ministry. I envision these groups meeting in homes or at church. Groups are welcome to meet at church during our midweek program or find another time that meets the needs of your group. I suspect that most groups will gather around a Bible study as a part of their meetings, and you are welcome to choose your own or ask for resources (we just ask that you run your study of choice by us before you study it). You have complete autonomy on how your group operates, Trinity's role in it is to formalize the process a bit and to encourage, equip, and resource you along the way.

With this being the start of it all, we are seeking individuals to start groups, so please prayerfully consider if a small group is something you would like to be the host/leader of. If you would like to be a part of a small group but do not know where to start, fill out the form and we will find a good fit for you! I am excited to see the ways God will use our small groups ministry to care for His Church.

If you would like to sign-up to be a part of a small group or to begin a small group of your own, please fill out a form! Scan the QR code in the flyer Or go to <https://forms.gle/8EJ1tvZ25rQokCF86>

You may also pick up a paper copy of a form to fill out from the Narthex if you prefer.

Blessings in Jesus,

DCE Daniel Duffy

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

Small Groups Ministry

Small groups are an opportunity to connect with other members to grow both spiritually and relationally

1

Build relationships

2

Care for one another

3

Grow spiritually

**Sign-up to get connected
Or Start your own group**

- Scan the code to sign-up and find out more!
- Paper copies available in the Narthex

Scan with your phone



FROM DFLM HANNAH KNEHANS

Dear Disciples of Trinity Lutheran Church,

In June of 2020, I was blessed to begin serving you as your intern Director of Family Life Ministry. In the fall of that year, you extended the call to me to serve on your staff. Then, in 2024, I came back from maternity leave as a part-time staff member. What a blessing these past six years have been! I have loved serving alongside you in ministry and am immeasurably thankful for your kindness and support.

Serving the families of Trinity while caring for my own family has been a blessing and a challenge. I have loved helping point your families towards God and His will for your lives. At the same time, I love learning how to disciple my sons and serve my husband and home well. Over the past few months, Matthew and I have been praying about the ways I can best prioritize these vocations and serve God through them. After much wise counsel and prayer, we have decided that it is time for me to step away from paid ministry in the church so I can better serve my family through my challenging but beautiful vocations as wife, mother, and home-educator. We have prayerfully decided that my last day serving Trinity on staff will be Dec. 31st, 2026.

Through these past six years, I have seen Trinity grow in many ways. I am amazed by how much can change in just a few years, from the growing number of staff, children, and adult members to the various ministries, events, and programs we have developed. I am especially thankful for the continued focus on family discipleship. I believe one of the most important tasks we have been given as Christians is to point others to Christ. Parents especially have been given the crucial responsibility to train their children to be disciples. Our goal as parents should be to train and disciple our children towards lifelong faith in Jesus Christ.

I pray that my ministry here at Trinity has helped you become more confident in your faith and vocations as a Christian. I also pray you will support the ongoing family ministry here at Trinity. The most important way you can do this is by focusing on the faith formation habits in your own home. Think about the ways your life reflects God's design for a faithful Christian. Thank Him for the areas you are doing well, then discern areas you could improve. If, for example, you think your prayer life is lacking, consider saying the Lord's Prayer every morning for a week. Adding simple habits each day, can, with God's help, grow and support the lifelong faith of a Christian.

As Trinity's staff, Family Life Committee, and I have begun preparing for this ministry transition, we will be relying more heavily on volunteer leadership. Because of you, our amazing staff and volunteers, family discipleship will always be a foundational focus in Trinity's mission. Please join me in praying that Trinity's ministries will faithfully support our members in their faith formation at home, in the world, and at Trinity in worship, education, and fellowship.

Trinity family, thank you for supporting family discipleship at Trinity, and most of all, seeking ways to grow and lead others as disciples of Christ. You have helped me grow in so many ways. Matthew and I are excited to continue being active members here at Trinity and to raise our sons in this family of faith. It has truly been a blessing to invest in the ministry and the people here. May God bless you to grow as His disciple every day!

In Jesus' love and mine,
Hannah L. Knehans hknehans@trinitylutheranspd.org

Adult Bible Study (ABS)

SUNDAY

Time	Topic	Leader	Location
9:45 AM	Bible Reading Journey	Pastor Biermann	Gym
9:45 AM	Adult Confirmation	Pastor Hagerman	Church Office
9:45 AM	Hosea	Bob Quebbeman	Woker Room
9:45 AM	The Stuff They Didn't Teach ... No class Aug. 30	Zeke Young	Room 2
9:45 AM	Senior High Youth	Josh Sexton	Youth Room, West Wing

MONDAY

9:15 AM	Faith Foundations Women's Bible Study – Songs of Scripture	Pastor Hagerman	Family Center
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WEDNESDAY

10:30 AM	Study on the Formula of Concord—begins Sept. 9	Vicar Shaltanis	Gym
6:30 PM	Practical Parenting in the Faith	Hannah Knehans & Heather Biermann	Heilman Room (Blue Room)
6:30 PM	Small Group-Augsburg Confession	Jacob Kuschel	Gym
6:30 PM	The Spirituality of the Cross	Paul Hambrick	Family Center Foyer

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. This group now meets in the gym.

Adult Confirmation -- This is a class for any adults who come from a non-Lutheran background and are interested in learning more about what our church believes, teaches, and confesses. There is no obligation to join Trinity as a member after completing the class, but that will be an option for anyone who participates and desires to become a member afterwards. Taught by Pastor Hagerman in the Church Office.

Hosea -- Many Old Testament prophets were given challenging calls and difficult tasks to do. Hosea was told to do what seems not only hard but more than that, shocking and even outrageous! Would God tell his prophet to find and marry a woman known for adultery!? Really? It seems contrary to all His laws. Why would He do such a thing? Come to class and find out! There will be lots of interesting discussion on this book...This class is led by Dr. Bob Quebbeman in the Woker room, located in the Family Center.

The Gospel of Mark -- The 400-year period of transition between the Old and New Testaments witnessed significant changes in Israel's history and cultural development. During this time, superpowers like the Persians, Greeks and Romans were the dominant geopolitical players in the regions of the Mediterranean and the Near East. In Palestine, groups like the Pharisees, Sadducees, Zealots, Essenes, and others fill the stage, vying for local power and prestige. Into this milieu comes Jesus, the Word Incarnate, who-along with His disciples-would change the world forever. Facilitated by Zeke Young in Room 2.

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

Faith Foundations -- The title of this year's study for Faith Foundations is "Songs of the Scriptures," in which we will read many of the different musical and poetic pieces that are found in the Bible and discuss their ongoing relevance for our lives of faith today. Of course, we will spend a lot of time in the book of Psalms, but we will be reading selections from many other books as well. Special attention will be given to the way in which these songs point to our Lord Jesus Christ and the salvation He accomplishes for us, as well as to the Christian church's use of these songs in its liturgy and hymnody.

We will begin our Monday morning bible study September 14, 9:15 a.m.-11:00. Opening remarks and hymns 9:15-9:30, small groups 9:30-10:30, closing remarks and discussion with Pastor Hagerman 10:30-11:00. Childcare is provided! If you have any questions, you may contact Linda Young, 417-818-5289; or Leslie King, 417-818-0338.

The Formula of Concord is a part of the Book of Concord, which we, as Lutherans, confess. It was written to address several issues and controversies at the time, and so presents Lutheran doctrine in a very clear and systematic way. In this Study, we will examine the text of the Formula of Concord and see how it fits historically within the Church, and also theologically within our Christian doctrine. Led by Vicar Shaltanis in the gym.

Practical Parenting in the Faith - Wednesday Night Adult Class

Wednesdays 6:30-7:30 PM (6:00-6:45 During Advent & Lent)

Located in the Family Life Center Heilman Room (Blue Room) **Led by** Mother-daughter team Heather Biermann & Hannah Knehans DFLM. Join us for biblical discussions, practical discipleship training, and content focused on raising your children to truly love and value worship in church and in the home. This class is for parents, future parents, and grandparents. We hope to build encouraging, multigenerational mentorship as we discuss actionable skills for training children and helping them grow in the faith at all stages.

The Augsburg Confession: What is it and why is it so important to Lutherans today? This small group is led by Jacob Kuschel in the gym.

The Spirituality of the Cross: The Way of the First Evangelicals – This small group Bible study is led by Paul Hambrick in the Family Center Foyer.

Sunday Night Adult Bible Study

Meeting on
September 13 & 27
October 11 & 25
November 8 & 22



This group gathers in various members' homes on a rotating schedule



ROOTED IN *Christ*

RALLY SUNDAY & MINISTRY FAIR

Growing Together in Faith. Serving Together in Love.



THANK YOU TO ALL WHO MADE THIS DAY SO SPECIAL!
TOGETHER WE ARE ROOTED IN CHRIST AND SENT TO GROW.

~FOR YOUR CALENDAR~ SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL VOTERS MEETING

A Discussion of Early Communion
will be held in the gym on
September 20th at 12:30 P.M.

This is a follow up conversation to the early communion forums held in the last few months. Additionally, look for details from Mickey Moore, TLC President

Trinity Women in Action (TWiA)



****Thank you so much Trinity Congregation, for the Mite Offerings, which totaled \$31.00. Romans 13:15-“May the God of Hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing.” The LWML Mite collections will go towards: Introducing Muslims to the Savior, Lutheran Heritage Foundation, Global. 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, September 13, 2026.*

All women of Trinity are welcome to join these circles and quilting at anytime throughout the year.

Dorcas Circle – Sept. 8 at 9:30 a.m., gym

Deborah Circle – Sept. 17 at 4:00 p.m., Family Center Foyer

Service Day Quilting – Sept. 21 at 1:00 p.m., Family Center, Woker Room

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!



Wednesday Night Classes for Adults

Practical Parenting in the Faith

Led by: Mother-daughter team Heather Biermann
& Hannah Knehans DFLM

Location: Trinity Family Center Heilman Room (Blue Room)

Small Group The Augsburg Confession: What is it and why is it so important to Lutherans today?

Led by: Jacob Kuschel

Location: Trinity Gym

Small Group Book Study on “The Spirituality of the Cross: The Way of the First Evangelicals”

Led by: Paul Hambrick

Location: Trinity Family Center Foyer

Wednesdays 6:30-7:30 PM
6:00-6:45 During Advent & Lent



PERRY COUNTY
LUTHERAN CHORALE



“The Lord is My Light
and My Salvation”

Fall Concert



Friday, September 18th



7:00 p.m.



Trinity Lutheran Church
1415 S Holland Ave
Springfield, MO 65807-1813

The chorale will present familiar favorites as
well as some new songs.

**SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE –
PLEASE JOIN US!**

Admission is free.
A free-will offering will be taken
in support of the Chorale.



The Knehans family invites all families with children & youth in the home to their annual

TRINITY FAMILY COOKOUT

Sat. Sep. 19th starting at 4:30pm
(Eat at 5:00 - Campfire at 6:00)

BURGERS – POTLUCK – FELLOWSHIP

We will have allergy friendly options available

Please bring a lawn chair and a side dish or dessert to share	RSVP to Hannah at hknehans@trinitylutheranspfd.org or 417-861-2218
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WEDNESDAY EVENING

MIDWEEK SCHEDULE

-  5:00 P.M. MEAL AND FELLOWSHIP
-  5:45 P.M. KIDS OF THE KINGDOM
-  6:00 P.M. 7th-8th GRADE STUDY
-  6:30 P.M. 1st-6th GRADE CLASS /
ADULT CLASSES / NURSERY

ADJUSTMENTS TO STANDARD SCHEDULING OCCUR IN ADVENT AND LENT

Welcome



Vicar Shaltani's

Stewardship Moment

Stewardship in the First Commandment

The greatest gift that Martin Luther gave to us was his Small Catechism. The word “enchiridion” is part of the original title of this work. This is the Greek word for “handbook.” The Small Catechism is a handbook of the Bible. All the basic knowledge that a Christian needs to understand the faith and live a godly life has been taken from the Bible and distilled into this beautiful little book of Christian piety.

Luther starts with the Ten Commandments.

The First Commandment:

You shall have no other gods.

What does this mean? We should fear, love, and trust in God above all things. (SC I)

We have a God above us. He is the Lord God and we are not. He is Almighty and in control. He is righteous and good. And therefore, we should fear Him.



This God is also our heavenly Father. He wants us to be saved. He does not want us to suffer His just wrath. He has provided salvation for us in His Son, Jesus Christ. And therefore, we should love Him.

Our heavenly Father will never leave us nor forsake us. He has promised as much — and the Bible shows us that He always keeps His promises. So, we should trust Him.

In the Large Catechism, Luther explains how money and possessions form one of the greatest temptations against the First Commandment:

This I must unfold somewhat more plainly, that it may be understood and perceived by ordinary examples of the contrary. Many a one thinks that he has God and everything in abundance when he has money and possessions; he trusts in them and boasts of them with such firmness and assurance as to care for no one. Lo, such a man also has a god, Mammon by name, i.e., money and possessions, on which he sets all his heart, and which is also the most common idol on earth. He who has money and possessions feels secure, and is joyful and undismayed as though he were sitting in the midst of Paradise. On the other hand, he who has none doubts and is despondent, as though he knew of no God. For very few are to be found who are of good cheer, and who neither mourn nor complain if they have not Mammon. This [care and desire for money] sticks and clings to our nature, even to the grave. (LC I 5–9)

These words of Dr. Luther should call us to repentance; sometimes, we live and act like we don't have a Father in heaven. We seek our comfort and peace outside of His gracious promises. But we do have a Father in heaven. He does love us. All His promises are true. And the Lord will surely provide. If that is our belief, then our outward lives will reflect this belief in our acts of generosity and mercy. We will see money and possessions not as gods but rather as tools for doing God's work.



Seeking...

Sunday Drivers for the Church Van

Each Sunday our Trinity van brings joyous members to share in Divine Service. We are in need of an additional driver to cover one week a month. No CDL is required. Please call the church office at 417-866-5878 if interested in this ministry opportunity.



HAPPY
Grandparents
DAY

Granola with Grandpa & Grandma

Sunday Sep. 13th

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. 13th.

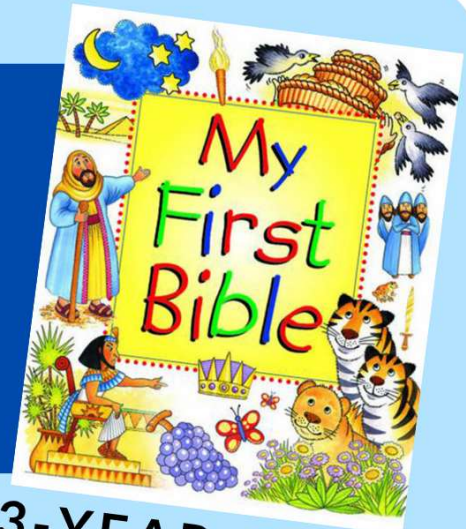
Make a granola parfait and pick up a card, conversation starter activity, and devotion celebrating grandparents.

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

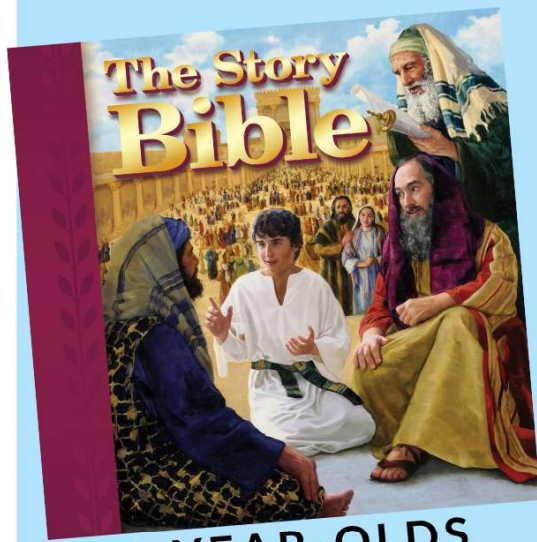
TRINITY FAMILY LIFE MINISTRY COMMITTEE

Using Your **Story Bible** at Home

Family Discipleship Event



3-YEAR-OLDS



6-YEAR-OLDS

Bring your milestone Bible and join other families to eat lunch, make crafts, and practice using your story Bible at home. You'll enjoy hands-on activities and free resources, too.



RSVP Here

Sunday, Sep. 27th 12:30-2:30 pm
Trinity Gym & Heilman Room

<https://forms.gle/oBSEju6hugvjRoFa9>

Trinity's Family Life Ministry Committee

Men's Night Out

Let's meet at 14 MILL MARKET in Nixa
September 8th at 6 pm

Contact Ben Brown for details
ben.brown357@gmail.com

Join the church ladies

on Monday September 21 @ 6 pm

dublin's pass 2915 e. battlefield rd

Contact Jody Hackley for details

bertsgirl1421@gmail.com



AUGUST UPDATE

Back to School

Blessings to you from your friends at Springfield Lutheran School! God has blessed SLS with incredible students and families who are all united in one mission - to provide a Christian environment for the growth and development of children's souls, minds, and bodies (Matthew 22:37), equipping each child to strive towards what God intended him or her to be (Mark 10:14).

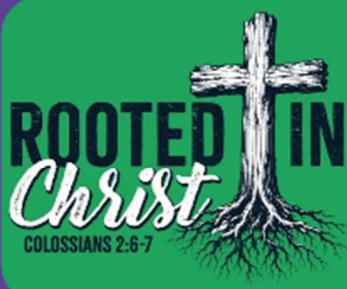
SLS welcomed precious children of God from preschool through 8th grade back to school on August 20th. SLS also welcomed new staff members to the team! Help us welcome:

Janessa Redman - Middle School English/Language Arts
Heather Roberts - Middle School Art
Jess Carroll - Middle School Life Skills
Amanda Ingle - Administrative Assistant
Joel Telschow - Athletic Director

2026-2027 School Theme

The Springfield Lutheran School theme for the 2026-2027 school year is "Rooted in Christ" based on Colossians 2:6-7.

Therefore, as you received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in him, rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.



Hymn of the Month

What a Friend
We Have in
Jesus
LSB 770

Upcoming Events

- Picture Day Aug. 28
- NWEA Student Testing Aug. 31 - Sept. 4
- No School - Labor Day Sept. 7



FAITH

RELATIONSHIPS

EXCELLENCE



JOIN THE
HANDBELLS!



RING HIS PRAISE. SHARE HIS JOY.

No experience needed!
If you can count to 4,
you can play handbells.



Come be part of a joyful ministry
that rings praises to our Triune God!



REHEARSALS BEGIN

**THURSDAY,
AUGUST 20**



6:50–8:00 P.M.



IN THE
CHURCH BALCONY



Make a joyful noise with ringing!



JOIN *the* Choir!



MAKE A JOYFUL NOISE.
SERVE. SING. SHARE.

Looking for at least five new choir members this season. Families and children ages 8+ are welcome and encouraged to come and grow with us as musicians, singing praises to our Triune God!

REHEARSALS BEGIN

THURSDAY, AUGUST 13



5:25–6:40 P.M.



IN ROOM 2

Lift your voice. Lift His name.

Lutheran Women's Retreat – Sept. 11-12

This isn't just a weekend away—it is an invitation for:

- Rest for your soul
- Real connections with other women
- Encouragement rooted in the Bible
- Worship that renews your spirit

Come exactly as you are and leave Wonder-FULL! Registration forms are available in the Narthex.
Contact Pam Osterloh or Kim DeLuce

The Lutheran Student Center



Upcoming events:

Prayer and Praise- Every Tuesday @ 6pm
Springfield Cardinals Game - September 11th @ 7pm

Ways to support:

Sign up to provide a Tuesday night meal for Prayer and Praise
Make a tax deductible donation

Direct your Thrivent Choice Dollars to - The Lutheran Student Center Springfield

Connect with us:

Instagram: @lsc.springfield – Facebook: Lutheran Student Center Springfield

Director@thelsc.org

848 S. National Ave., Springfield, MO 65804



Scan here to donate



Scan here for meal sign up



Scan here for GroupMe

LUTHERAN STUDENT CENTER

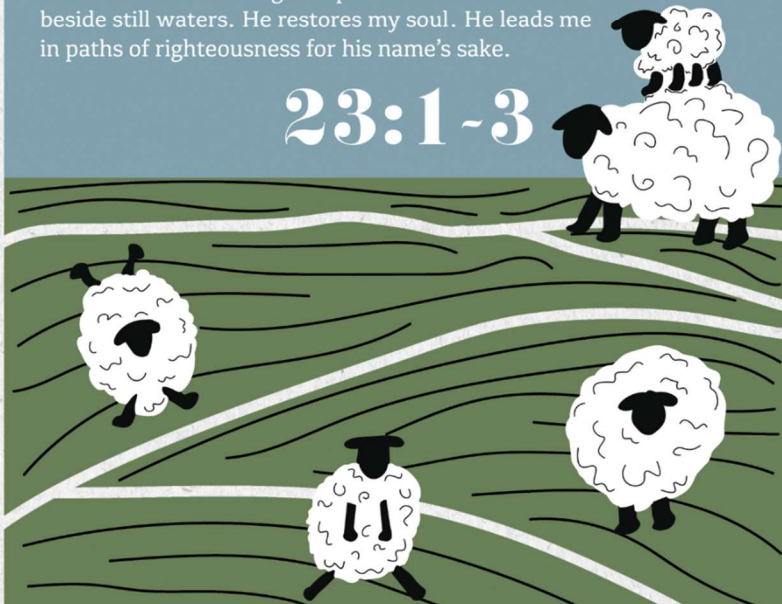
LOCATED RIGHT ACROSS FROM CARRINGTON HALL
848 S NATIONAL AVE, SPRINGFIELD, MO 65804

**JOIN US FOR:
PRAYER AND PRAISE
EVERY TUESDAY AT 6 PM!**

Psalm

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters. He restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

23:1-3



INSTA:

@LSC.SPRINGFIELD

JOIN OUR
GROUPME!



AUGUST

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MONTHLY NEWS

NEW BEGINNINGS

The LSC participated In many campus events, Including tabling at the Org Fair and a tie dye booth at the Christian Campus fest! We have new banners, stickers, and definitely got our name out on campus!



CHURCH VISIT

Trinity Lutheran Church Invited us for lunch after we attended the service together! It was a great way to show new students an option for their Sunday monrings.



MINI GOLF & GAMES

We played Mini golf this week at Funacre followed by Pineapple Whip so we could get to know new members! We also made tie blankets for those In need and played card games together!

SCAVENGER HUNT & BONFIRE

We ended the week off with a scavenger hunt around Springfield so freshman could learn to find their way! We had to take some silly pictures! Afterwards, a local family hosted us for a relaxing bonfire night! This was a great way to end our first week of classes!



PRAYER & PRAISE

Best of all, we kicked off our first Prayer & praise of the semester with free dinner and good worship together! Dinner catered by Buffalo Wild Wings with our own Maya Lucero hosting the devotion was the best! We ended the night with a fun game outside!

MARTIN'S FIREWORKS 2026

AFTER PARTY



FIREWORKS PROFIT DISTRIBUTION

PROFIT	\$ 10,407.67
10% TITHE TO TRINITY	\$ 1,040.77
LCMS YOUTH GATHERING	\$ 4,683.45
HIGHER THINGS	\$ 2,341.73
AGE-BASED/ENHANCEMENT	\$ 936.69
MIGHTY MISSIONARIES	\$ 468.35
MARK SCHULTZ SCHOLARSHIP	\$ 936.69



Thank you Trinity for your support of Sunshine Elementary School Supply Drive



AUGUST UPDATES



SPRINGFIELD
LUTHERAN
HIGH SCHOOL

This Month at SLHS



What a wonderful start to our second school year at Springfield Lutheran High School! We were blessed to gather for a beautiful Opening Chapel on Wednesday, August 19, led by Josh Swartz, Director of Schools for the Missouri District of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. We are so thankful for his words of encouragement and for the opportunity to worship together as a school community. During the service, our faculty and staff were installed, and our students and their families received a special blessing as we began this new school year together.

We are also incredibly grateful to everyone who participated in our 2nd Annual SLHS Benefit Golf Tournament—it was a wonderful day of fellowship, fun, and generous support for SLHS. As we begin this school year, we ask our community to please continue to pray for a safe, joyful, and blessed year for our students, faculty, staff, and Board of Directors. We praise God for His faithfulness and for all He has in store for SLHS!



Ways to Support SLHS

SLHS Amazon Wish List:

Visit <https://a.co/9Jm6Yh9> to easily purchase items and have them shipped directly to SLHS.

Tuition Assistance Matching Campaign:

Every gift to our Tuition Assistance Program is currently being matched dollar-for-dollar, up to \$20,000! **We've raised \$12,700 toward the match—thank you to all who have given!** Scan the QR code below to donate online, or simply mail a check to SLHS with "Tuition Assistance – Matching" in the memo line, and help us unlock the remaining matching funds.

Thunder Thrift:

- **Hours:** Wednesday–Saturday, 9 AM–1 PM
- **Location:** 300 E. Sunshine St. (park & enter in back of building)

We've been so grateful for the wonderful response since Thunder Thrift officially opened its doors earlier this month! **Want to help?** Shop, donate gently used items, volunteer, or purchase needed supplies from our Thunder Thrift Amazon Wish List.

For donation and volunteer information or to shop our Amazon Wish List, scan the QR code or visit: springfieldlutheranhs.org/thunderthrift

SLHS Tuition Assistance Matching Campaign



Thunder Thrift Info



Springfield Lutheran High School | 1415 S. Holland Avenue | Springfield, Missouri 65807
info@springfieldlutheranhs.org | 417.370.7975 | springfieldlutheranhs.org



Heit's Point Lutheran Camp **SINGLES Retreat** **God's Steadfast Love** **Sept. 11-13, 2026**

Come join other Lutheran singles from around MO and KS
as we study the Scriptures in an OUTDOOR retreat setting, talk about
God's Steadfast Love with Pastor Mallardi, have FUN,
good fellowship and good food!

Friday 5:30 Registration
6:30 Dinner
7:15 Opening, Songs, Ice Breakers
8:00 Psalms Bible study
9:30 Campfire followed by fellowship time

Sat 8:00 Morning Prayer/Songs and Breakfast
10:00 Psalms Bible study
11:00 Team Building and Lunch
1:00 Free Time
3:00 Psalms Bible study
4:00 Group Activity
5:30 Dinner
7:00 BUNCO
Evening Prayer

Sun 8:00 Breakfast
10:00 Church Service
Camp amenities are available for use all day!



* All-inclusive 2-night stay in Spitz Center based upon 3 in a room \$150/person
(individual rooms may be available, cost will increase) RSVP by Sept. 6

To Register: heitspointlutheran.org or call 660-668-2363

28345 Heit's Point Ave Lincoln MO - Strengthening our Connection to Christ



AN AFTERNOON OF MUSIC AND CELEBRATION

Sunday
September 20, 2026
3:30pm

Trinity Lutheran Church
207 North Main Street
Freistatt, Missouri 65654

"Faith, Freedom, and Our Nation Under God"

Musical selections
Trinity Mixed Choir
Men's Glee
Trinity Ringers Bell Choir
Children's Choir
Pipe Organ Solos
Eight Hands at the Pianos
Vocal Solos/Duets
Piano Solos
4 Congregation Hymns - emphasizing
our God, our journey, our foundation,
and our nation.

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:

Ramon DeArmas, friend of Bob & Lisa Schroeder
Derald Eggerman, brother of Don Eggerman
Michelle Hicks, friend of Pam Osterloh
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
Harry Polacoff

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 August 30-September 6, 2026

Today	The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost 8:15 & 11:00 a.m. Divine Services 9:30 a.m. Fellowship and Scrip sales, gym 9:45 a.m. Sunday School / Youth & Adult Classes 9:45 a.m. Senior High & Parents Ministry Meeting 6:00 p.m. Family Sunday Game Night, gym
Monday	1:00 p.m. Church Office Opens Caleb Staehr's day off
Tuesday	6:00 p.m. Pickleball, gym
Wednesday	Noon SLHS Chapel Midweek Schedule 5:00 p.m. Dinner/Fellowship 5:45 p.m. Kids of the Kingdom, music room 6:00 p.m. 7 th -8 th grade confirmation classes 6:30 p.m. 1 st -6 th grade theology study/Adult Class/Nursery
Thursday	7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study, Foyer No Choir or Handbell Rehearsals
Friday	Church Office Closed Pastor Hagerman, Vicar Shaltanis and Daniel Duffy's day off 5:30 p.m. Father/Son Retreat, Heit's Point
Saturday	Evening Families return from Retreat
Next Sunday August 9	The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost 8:15 & 11:00 a.m. Divine Services 9:30 a.m. Fellowship & Scrip Card Sales, gym 9:45 a.m. Sunday School, Youth & Adult Bible Classes 2:00 p.m. Gym Reserved, Hackley Rehearsal Dinner