



Welcome!



Trinity Lutheran Church is “a place of grace with a call for all to continue the work of Jesus!” We are committed to seeing Christ in everyone.

As a Reconciling in Christ congregation, we are committed to racial equity and celebrate our human family’s diversity of race, ethnicity, background, age, political affiliation, faith history, economic and social status, marital status, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, education, physical and mental abilities.

We are united in Christ and our growth is nurtured by embracing our differences.

We invite all people to grow with us toward greater love, understanding, and mutual respect.

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To sponsor Altar Flowers or the Radio Broadcast in honor or in memory of someone you love, please follow the QR code or contact the office.



Safety Notice:

If ever needed, our AED (Defibrillator) is located on the north wall across from the courtyard. First Aid kits are in left drawers of the office copier room, both kitchens, in the sanctuary entrance usher closet, and in the Nursery.

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9:30 a.m. Livestream
www.tlclawrence.org
and 11:00 a.m. Radio Broadcast on KLWN

July 26, 2026
THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

- Sunday, July 26, 8:30 am - Bible Study, Conference Room
- Sunday, July 26, 9:30 am - Traditional Sunday Worship Service, Sanctuary & Livestream
- Sunday, July 26, 10:30 am - Coffee & Cookies, Gathering Space
- Sunday, July 26, 10:40 am - Adult Sunday School, Fellowship Hall
- Sunday, July 26, 11:45 am - Worship & Music Committee, Conference Room
- Monday, July 27, 6:30 pm - Council Meeting, Conference Room
- Tuesday, July 28, 9:30 am - Tuesday Morning Bible Study, Social Room (9:30 social, 10:00 class)
- Tuesday, July 28, 9:30 am - Staff Meeting, Conference Room
- Tuesday, July 28, 2:00 pm - Tuesday Afternoon Prayer Group, Zoom
- Wednesday, July 29, 7:15 am - Wednesday Morning Prayer Group, Conference Room
- Wednesday, July 29, 6:00 pm - Trinity Book Club, Gathering Space
- Saturday, August 1, 8:30 am - Men’s Breakfast, The Big Biscuit
- Sunday, August 2, 10:40 am-10:50 am - ASL Class, Conference Room

JOB OPPORTUNITY: LEAD NURSERY ATTENDANT

We are looking to hire a weekly Lead Nursery Attendant to begin in mid-August here at Trinity. This paid position requires the following:

- Background Check & References
- Friendly, responsible, punctual, organized
- Comfort with Ages 0-4
- Transportation
- CPR Certification Preferred
- Commitment to fostering a welcoming, inclusive, fun, and safe environment for Trinity’s youngest
- Ability to be present each week from 9:30-10:45 am (with opportunity to expand to 11:30, as well as occasional evenings for special services, meetings, or events)



If you are interested, or know of someone from outside of Trinity who might be a good fit, please reach out to Kate at kate@tlclawrence.org.

FROM THE PASTOR

Encountering Jesus in Everyday Life

Isn’t it wonderful that we have children in our lives to keep us grounded? Children who say things that adults never see or dare utter in a public setting. While it’s fun to be within earshot of children’s honest and unfiltered comments, the opposite is also true, especially if you happen to be the focus of a child’s curious questioning.



I know because this happened to me. Before leading a funeral procession into the sanctuary, I noticed a young girl pointing at me and smiling. Only, the child did not ask, “Is that Jesus?” Instead, I heard her ask, “Momma, is that a snowman?” From the perspective of a four-year-old, I looked more like Frosty the Snowman than Jesus in my white robe with a white cincture (rope) tied around my waist.

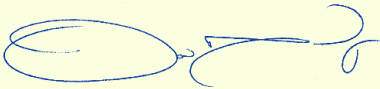
Later, while reflecting on the child’s innocent quip, I wondered if God was sending me a message. “Why,” I wondered, “do I automatically assume that people will see Jesus in me? What if it is the other way around?”

Think about it. Throughout the gospels, Jesus meets people in their deepest need, offering healing, forgiveness, reconciliation, and life. Only the form that Jesus takes is often in the guise of one of the least of these. “This is the moment of Christian conversion,” notes Samuel Wells in his book, A Nazareth Manifesto, “not just to see one’s need of Jesus, but to be willing to embrace him in the form in which he comes to us.”

Perspective matters. Instead of expecting our neighbors to see the face of Jesus in us, could it be that we are the ones called and sent to see the face of Jesus in the despised, rejected, and overlooked ones of the world? What if we are not the answer to our neighbors’ prayers? What if they are the answer to ours?

“Do not assume that others will see Jesus’ face in you,” advises Wells. “Go and expect to see Jesus’ face in them.”

In Christ,
Pastor Jon



ANNOUNCEMENTS

— Opportunities to “Reach Out”—



Trinity Stephen Ministry

Bear one another's burdens, and in this way, you will fulfill the law of Christ (Galatians 6:2, NRSV)

Trinity Stephen Ministry is looking for those in our congregation to provide high quality, one-to-one, Christ-centered care to people in the congregation and the community experiencing life difficulties. Since its inception in 1975, Stephen Ministry has trained over 600,00 Stephen Ministers in more than 14,000 congregations. *If you feel this ministry is for you please reach out to one of Trinity's Stephen Leaders:*
Charles Baars: (785) 772-1872
Cathy Box: (785) 979-4280
Brenda Brecke: (785) 393-9235
Pastor Jon: (785) 843-4150 (ext. 203)

Join Trinity's Book Club for the next good read!

Our bi-weekly discussion group has finished reading Margin and will soon be switching genre gears with their next book Table for Two by Amor Towles. Towles explores human connection, ego, choices, and the unexpected fateful consequences of brief encounters from ordinary lives in his witty collection of six short stories set in NYC, plus a novella in LA. Please consider joining us at the next "book-focused" meet-up on August 5 (and/or come on the in-between weeks for our "anything goes" get-togethers, bringing favorite selections from home!)



ADULT BIBLE STUDY: Sundays 10:45 - 11:30 am regularly in the main-level Fellowship Hall

July 26 - - The story of Jesus' feeding the 5,000 is a familiar story. Yet, in our acquaintance with and understanding of the story, we may be missing the most important point of the miracle (Matthew 14:13-21).

August 2 - - Sometimes in life, things happen and there is absolutely nothing we can do to change them or fix them. When have you needed to place the most trust in Christ? (Matthew 14:22-33)

- Pr. Randy



Today's Altar Flowers & Radio Broadcast are sponsored by Luther Hanson in memory of Ila Hanson.



TLC Income and Expenses - January through June 2026			
Income	Actual YTD	Budget YTD	Over/Under Budget
General Offerings	181,023.35	227,500.02	-46,476.67
Other Income	33,232.31	33,090.00	142.31
Total Income	214,255.66	260,590.02	-46,334.36
Expenses	Actual YTD	Budget YTD	Over/Under Budget
Administration	14,756.90	18,502.44	-3,745.54
Payroll	159,627.33	162,029.16	-2,401.83
Programs and Ministries	6,925.44	8,217.42	-1,291.98
Property Mgmt/Insurance	43,936.68	44,449.98	-513.30
Utilities	25,657.65	26,500.02	-842.37
Benevolence	10,094.40	12,324.96	-2,230.56
Total Expense	260,998.40	272,023.98	-11,025.58
Net Surplus/Deficit	-46,742.74	11,433.96	-35,308.78

Please contact Jodie Garcia, Office Manager/Bookkeeper, at tlcoffice@tlclawrence.org or (785) 843-4150 with any questions.

Helping Hands Needed for Family Promise

Sign up to help during Family Promise's Back-to-School Event on **Thursday, August 6:**

Event Details:

- **Location:** 9th St. Missionary Baptist Education Center, 847 Ohio Street
- **Event Time:** 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- **Volunteer Shifts:** 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and/or 12:45 p.m. to 4:15 p.m.

Volunteers are needed to assist with the following:

- Welcoming and assisting families
- Helping with outdoor games and activities
- Assisting with children's crafts
- Supporting clothing distribution area
- Helping with food service and refreshments
- General event support and cleanup

E-mail kj@lawrencefamilypromise.org to sign up!

Calling Cookie Captains!! Grab your opportunity to make coffee and share your special "sweet treat". Sign-up sheet is on the wooden shelf in the Gathering Space. Questions? Contact Kathy Bryan at 785-764-5955. Thank you!

Supper for Seven: It's time for another round of small-group home dinners! Please send your info to kate@tlclawrence.org if you would like to join as an attendee or host, or learn more. Singles, couples, friends, and families of all ages welcome.



Christ in Our Home Booklets Here:

Christ in our Home (July-August-September) booklets are in the Gathering Space! Regular and large-print copies available.

PRAYERS NEEDED

We offer prayers of peace and comfort to the family and friends and especially Janet Hart on the passing of her life partner, AJ (Adam James) Rain. May he rest in the eternal loving arms of our Savior.

Those ill, injured, or in need of support

Members: Alita Cooper, Gary & Julie Crowe, Carolyn Wise, Julie Schmidt, Jere McElhaney, Steve Ozark, Joe Box, Webb & Anna Hecker.

Relatives or friends of members: Katie Kranig (friend of Manley Brudvig), Ken Reeder, Alice (friend of Sarah Jane Russell), Linda Klinker (friend of Lynn Krusemark), Stacia Watkins (niece of Geri & Jerry Meuschke), Marsha (sister of Vicki Julian), Wilder Benton (grandson of Gary & Lori Benton), Isaac (son of Emily & Andrew Hanson), Paul Dubbs (friend of Bill Modrzynski & Annielaurie Seifert), Dee Steinle (daughter of Linda Gerdes), Scott Walters (brother of Kris Johnson), Ruth Filburn (friend of Sue Reeder), Naomi Jacobsen (step-mother of Emily Hanson), Michel El Haddad (family member of Emily Fetsch), Matt Hutchinson (father-in-law to Laura, daughter of Barb Jones), Karen McCarley Wallace (friends of Julie Crowe), Stan Husted, Darlene Johnson, Nancy Larsen, Dolores Fisher (cousin & friends of Shirley Anderson), Lena (friend of Lynn and Jennifer Krusemark), Jake Hecker (son of Anna & Webb Hecker), Joyce Lancaster (niece of Barb Bishop).

After 3 months, names will be removed from the prayer list unless you ask us to keep your name on the list.

To add prayer listing requests, request a visit or call, or to report births, hospitalizations, or deaths, contact the Church Office at 785-843-4150 or kate@tlclawrence.org.

For prayer chain requests, contact Ruth Sarna at: rsarna@sunflower.com or (785) 842-0230.

