



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
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and 11:00 a.m. Radio
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October 25, 2026
THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

- Sunday, October 25, 8:30 am - Bible Study, Conference Room
- Sunday, October 25, 9:30 am - Traditional Sunday Worship Service, Sanctuary & Livestream
- Sunday, October 25, 10:40 am - Adult Sunday School, Fellowship Hall
- Sunday, October 25, 10:40 am - Children's Sunday School, (Sanctuary - opening, Basement - class)
- Sunday, October 25, 10:40 am - Confirmation, Youth Room
- Sunday, October 25, 10:40 am - High School, TLC Library
- Sunday, October 25, 11:30 am - Orchestra Rehearsal, Fellowship Hall
- Monday, October 26, 6:30 pm - Council Meeting, Conference Room
- Tuesday, October 27, 9:30 am - Staff Meeting, Conference Room
- Tuesday, October 27 - Tuesday Morning Bible Study (Psalms), Social Room (9:30 social, 10:00 class)
- Tuesday, October 27, 11:30 am - Handbell Rehearsal, Sanctuary
- Tuesday, October 27, 2:00 pm - Tuesday Afternoon Prayer Group, Zoom
- Wednesday, October 28, 7:15 am - Wednesday Morning Prayer Group, Conference Room
- Wednesday, October 28, 5:00 pm - Sunflower Happy Hour, Sunflower Cafe, 802 Mass. St.
- Wednesday, October 28, 7:00 pm - Trinity Choir, Music Room
- Saturday, October 31, 9:30 am - Bluegrass Mass Rehearsal, Music Room/Sanctuary
- Sunday, November 1, 6:00 pm - The World Beloved: A Bluegrass Mass, Sanctuary

Thank you: We have had many consecutive events here at Trinity (most recently, the Ministry Fair and Trunk or Treat), and I cannot thank you all enough for your participation, attendance, and cheerful servant hearts. No one can make these happen alone, and you are SO appreciated and needed within this beautiful faith community. Thank you for saying "yes" to the spirit's work happening here!

Bluegrass Mass: Next Sunday, November 1 at 6:00 pm, join us for a special choral concert. The Trinity Festival Choir- our choir with a lot of friends - will present The World Beloved, a Bluegrass Mass, along with other works by American composers. The concert is a benefit for the Trinity Interfaith Food Pantry housed at Trinity Episcopal Church. I hope to see you there. Susan

LINK: Trinity's next opportunity to provide a meal for LINK is Tuesday, November 10. We need food donations as well as volunteers to help serve the meal and clean up on that day. To volunteer, look for the sign-up sheets on the wooden shelf in the gathering space or go to:

https://tinyurl.com/LINKtlc.

Thank you for your service and/or prayers for this important community ministry. If you are unable to cook or serve, monetary donations are also much appreciated. A check to Trinity with LINK on the memo line will work.

✝ FROM THE PASTOR ✝

Dear Ministry Partners,

Happy Reformation Sunday! Today, we boldly proclaim the good news that we are saved by grace through faith in Christ. And all of this is God's doing, not ours!

Luther's liberating proclamation, informed by his reading of Romans and Ephesians, freed believers from the endless struggle to earn God's favor and love. Only, I was raised in a faith tradition that emphasized everything that I had to do to make things right with God. No matter how hard I tried, I always came up short. Until one day, a colleague invited me to visit her church for a Sunday worship service. And although it had been years since I attended a Lutheran worship service with my Grandma Brudvig, there was something compelling about the invitation to "Come and see."

When the service started, I said to myself, "This feels like coming home." You see, I had been deeply hurt by the church, so I stayed away. Instead of joining another church, I preferred to observe cautiously from the sidelines, thereby avoiding having to commit to anything. But on that Sunday, something wonderful happened. I encountered Christ in a congregation filled with faithful, imperfect people; a community that incarnated what it means to be saved by grace through faith in Christ.

The theological proclamation that we are saved by grace through faith is both liberating and life-changing. God in Christ, through the Holy Spirit's power, does for us what none of us can do for ourselves. The tomb is empty, Christ is risen, and all that seeks to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord has been defeated. Alleluia!

If God has done the demanding work, does that mean we get a pass? Can we just sit back and watch the world go by, oblivious to the needs of our neighbors and the injustices we see and experience in our communities? No!

God may not need our good works, but our neighbors do, noted Luther. Instead of endlessly striving to earn God's love, Christ's self-giving act has freed us to respond in love to the needs of our neighbors. This is the example Jesus models for us. This is Gospel freedom. Thanks be to God!

In Christ,



Pastor Jon



ANNOUNCEMENTS

— Opportunities to “Reach Out”—



Thank you to everyone who participated in this year's House Discussion Listening Process. The relationships deepened, and experiences and values shared are invaluable to carrying forward in God's mission for us to seek Justice for each other and our neighbors in this community.

Towards our Trinity team goal of 30, we have 26 so far who committed to being "network members". For those unable to attend a house discussion but interested to learn more, please mark your calendar for the first Network-wide event **November 5th 6:30-8pm** at First Presbyterian Church! Participants will have a say in the new direction of the organization's efforts and leadership.

For those of you not called to be directly involved with this ministry, please put **April 25th, 2027** on your calendar to support the culmination of our efforts at the Nehemiah Action Assembly as a whole congregation.

New York School - Snack Drive: The teachers in our East Lawrence Elementary School have asked for some help with snacks for students. If you have anything to share (individually wrapped, nut-free, non-candy preferred), please simply drop it off at the school with Linda or Sheila, who will make sure they are fairly dispersed! Email lkucza@usd497.org with questions. Thank you!



Name Tags Available: New members, regular attenders and those who need a replacement or repair, please reach out to Kate (kate@tlclawrence.org) with your preference on style (magnet, pin, clip) and how you'd like your name printed.

Jodie's Weekly Breeze Briefing:



Want to find another Trinity member's contact information in Breeze? Simply log into Breeze with your e-mail and previously created password. Type in the person's name in the magnifying glass field in the upper right corner of the Breeze screen, and click on their name to see their contact information (*if you cannot locate a name, this individual may not have provided permission for their contact information to be shared, or they may not yet be in Breeze*).

Haven't set up your Breeze account yet, but want to?

Follow the QR code to get started.



Radio Broadcast and Altar Flower Sponsorships:



We have the following openings available for weekly Sunday sponsorships.

Please prayerfully consider supporting these meaningful service components, with the option of including a message in memory and/or honor of a loved one.

Sign-ups can be found via the link in the weekly E-Blast, on the website, or with the QR code here.

Altar Flowers: 11/8, 11/15, 11/29, 12/6, 12/13, 12/20

Radio Broadcast: 11/8, 11/15, 11/22, 11/29, 12/6, 12/13, 12/27



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

October 18 - - In Matthew 23:11-12, Jesus said, "The greatest among you will be your servant. All who exalt themselves will be humbled and all who humble themselves will be exalted" (NRSV). How humble are you and I? Is Jesus' humbling journey to the cross, his life and sacrificial death, a model for us?

- Pr. Randy

Birthday Congratulations: We give thanks to God for Trinity member Chris Niemoeller, who turns 103 this October 26! She is a true gift and inspiration, and we are grateful for this tremendous milestone birthday.



Today's **Radio Broadcast** and **Altar Flowers** are sponsored by Pastor Jon Brudvig and Rev. Barb Jones in gratitude for all the ministry partners who give generously of their time, talent, and treasure.



Special Class on November 8 (10:40 am): The gospel is full of Christ making sure people could access God regardless of their health or ability. *Join us in learning the first steps to being respectful and inclusive across abilities from Independence Inc.*

Directory Updates Wanted! Have you changed your contact information (address, phone number, e-mail address) recently? Want to update your family photo? Send updates for Trinity's Directory to tlcoffice@tlclawrence.org

Mark Your Calendars:

- 10/25 (Sun.) - Reformation Sunday, (WEAR RED!!) :
- 11/1 (Sun., 6:00p) - Bluegrass Mass, TLC Sanctuary
- 11/5 (Thu., 6:30p) - Justice Matters Problems Assembly, First Presbyterian
- 11/8 (Sun.) - New Member's Sunday, TLC Sanctuary & Gathering Space
- 11/8 (Sun.) - Introduction to Accessibility Inclusion, Fellowship Hall
- 11/10 (Tue.) - LINK, First Christian Church
- 11/15 (Sun.) - Westwood House/KU Campus Ministry Sunday, TLC
- 11/26-11/27 (Th-Fri.) - Offices Closed for Thanksgiving, TLC

PRAYERS NEEDED

We offer prayers of peace and comfort for the friends and family of Mike McCaffrey (detective and long-time friend of Susan Hadl), who died last week.

We give thanks and praise to God and congratulations to Andrew & Emily Hanson on the gift of granddaughter Anastasia Marie born Oct. 14 (Emily's birthday!) to parents Isaac & Kirsten Hanson. Congrats to great-grandfather Luther Hanson as well!

Those ill, injured, or in need of support

Members: Louis Box, Julie Schmidt, Joe Box, Jerry Meuschke, Carol Ann Salber, Alita Cooper, Gary & Julie Crowe, Jere McElhaney, Steve Ozark, Webb & Anna Hecker.

Relatives or friends of members: Stan Ingersol (uncle of Michael Stephenson), Janie Krull (mother of Mandy Sponholtz), Cameron (niece of Sponholtzes), Nicholas Wallace (son of Ashley Vital), Tylee Baars (granddaughter of Charles Baars), Jennifer (daughter of Julie & Gary Crowe), Rich Moloney (father of Kirsten Elson), Katie Kranig (friend of Manley Brudvig), Ken Reeder (husband of Sue), Alice (friend of Sarah Jane Russell), Linda Klinker (friend of Lynn Krusemark), Stacia Watkins (niece of Geri & Jerry Meuschke), Marsha (sister of Vicki Julian), Isaac (son of Emily & Andrew Hanson), 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, Nancy Larsen, Dolores Fisher, Rick Sawyer and Mahlon Steffy (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.

