

JULY

TRINITY TRANSMITTER

Finally Free was the theme for this year's Senior High Summer Camp at LVR. Trinity supported 11 youth through prayers and financial support. Besides all the hiking; Team projects; high ropes with a zip line and swing; and a servant event; the group started each day in God's Word. Singing, afternoon Bible Study and evening devotions brought the participants closer to God.

Here are comments from the participants:

"Thank you Trinity for helping give me the opportunity to be surrounded by Christians all week and being able to grow in my faith" H.S.

"Thank you TLC for helping me grow in God's Word. My highlight for the week was hiking to the top of Cedar Mountain." G.R.

"Thank you for all your help and support to get us to LVR. My highlight was getting close to my village group and our Bible studies."

"Thank you for the financial support without it I wouldn't have been able to grow closer to God as well as the other campers at LVR. My highlight was the high ropes and seeing Milo (Brianna Pauley)." C.J.

"I love every aspect of camp, although my favorite thing to experience is a group of people coming together to encourage an individual to overcome a fear or achieve a goal" RF

"My God moment was when we were at outpost for evening devotions and God visited us by showing up on a mountain." LS

"My favorite part of camp was getting to know everyone and also improving my faith in God. I also liked the high ropes."

"My God moment was on the zipline, high ropes course. I was on the second rope and the wind picked up. I prayed that would at least make to the next rope and the wind changed direction so I could grab the rope. Once I got down after the zipline, I fell on my knees and praised the Lord for he was good to me." Andrew Prochnow
"I learned to appreciate new experiences more and to welcome all types of people with open arms." M.E.

"Thank you for letting me go to LVR. It was an amazing experience and helped me grow in my faith while making new friends." A.J.

"Thank you for letting me go to LVR. I learned to appreciate God more. I loved LVR. V.A.

"I experienced a God moment during the Wednesday night devotion's reflection time. It was incredibly awe-inspiring to be considering the majesty of creation while looking out onto LVR and up to Pike's Peak. The whole experience helped me gain some perspective on where my life is going and how to live "freely." MM

"It's a humbling experience when a 14 year old gives thanks to God for the Adult Leaders and LVR staff."

The Kansas District started youth summer camps close to 20 years ago through the leadership of the Wichita/Garden City DCE Cluster.

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TLC Mission Statement:

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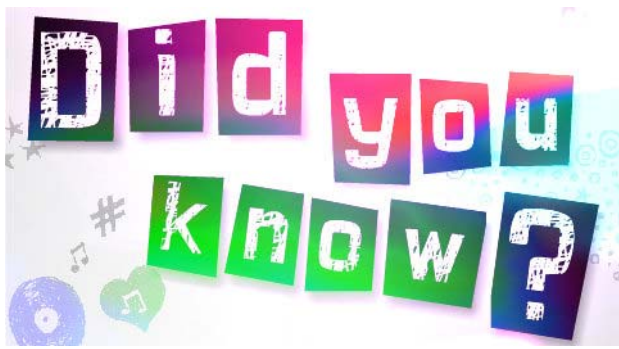
SERVE CHRIST



Did you know that three of Trinity's young adults are working at LVR for this summer?

Matthew Adams (Maverick) - 3rd Summer,
Brandon Hemmert (Sprekin) 4th Summer
and Brianna Pauley (Milo) 1st Summer.





In September 2015, Trinity hosted a Leadership Retreat led by Pastor Darrell Zimmerman of Grace Place. One of the ideas that came from that retreat was the value of getting to know one another better.

This month, [Jay Meyer](#), congregational president, shares:

I was born in 1962 and raised on a farm south of Linn, KS in rural Washington County. My dad raised dryland wheat and milo, but our primary enterprise was a fairly large purebred hog operation; dad sold breeding stock to other swine operations in Kansas and neighboring states. My dad's parents lived just a half mile away on the old Meyer farmstead. Grandpa was very involved in the farming operation and had a small cow herd of his own. My Grandma Sophie raised chickens and helped feed the cattle, along with all the other duties farm wives were expected to perform in those days. My dad's parents were the pillars of our Christian family. Their home was also the gathering place for their children (4 girls & 2 boys), along with their families (our cousins), around the holidays and during the summers. It was nice not having to travel much during the holidays!

My mom was a city girl from Nebraska, the daughter of a Lutheran pastor, Rev. E.F. Frese. Grandpa Frese served several congregations in Nebraska during his lifetime. I believe they were in Beatrice, NE when my parents met. They met at a Walther League church camp in south-central Nebraska (my mom jokes about her dad "forcing" her to go hang out with a bunch of redneck farm boys from Kansas!) It must've been true love because they eventually would marry and dad somehow convinced mom to move to the farm. They raised 3 children on that farm (I have a younger brother and sister); it was a good life and we learned the value of hard work.

My home church, St. John's Lutheran, was just two miles away from our home. We also had a small, two-room parochial school there (grades 1 through 8). I place great value on the Christian education I received there, but even more important than that was the great example we had from our parents, grandparents and our entire Lutheran community. They never missed

TLC Family Care Connections

We pray for...

✠ **Shut-Ins:** Opal Sroufe, Evelyn Kowalke, Esther McMichael, Irene Gestenslager, Karen Mowdy, Bob Shackelford, Hellen Strickland, Dot Merz, Bill Bridges, Eugene & Vada Hurd, George Powell, Lillian VonLintel

✠ **Health Concerns:** Gary Kraft, Aspen Phillips, Joyce Kraft, Michelle Lauck, Jim Baker, Jay Holste, Diann Wilken, Kelly Chopp, Gloria Magallan, Lupita Tapia, Pat Bridges, Don Messenger, Johanna Hall, Loretta Schultz, Donna Bitter, Jerry Bitter

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worship and were very involved in all church-related activities. These are values I didn't fully appreciate until I had a family of my own.

I went to high school in Linn and college at Kansas State, graduating with a BS in Ag Economics. My first job was in Colby, KS with the Federal Land Bank. After one year in Colby I decided to move to Garden City and worked for the Federal Land Bank here (later known as Farm Credit Services). Liz and I met a few months later and after dating for a couple of years we were married here at Trinity by Rev. Oestmann in 1989. A couple years later, in December, 1991, we moved to Sublette where I began work for the Haskell County State Bank (now known as Centera Bank), and have called this our home ever since.

We have 2 grown daughters, Hannah and Emily, who both graduated from Kansas State as well. Hannah has a 6 year old daughter (our granddaughter), Lily. She keeps our life interesting and has just been a wonderful blessing from God. As we look back and reflect on our lives thus far, Liz and I can definitely see God's hand in so many ways. Though there have been many trials and heartaches along the way, He has always been there beside us and we have just been so blessed. Thanks be to Him!

Christian Education

Sunday Morning Bible Studies
10:15 a.m.



In Genesis 6, we find Noah in his “golden years”, “a righteous man, blameless among the people of his time, with orders from God to take on a one-of-a-kind engineering project... Suffice it to say, Noah took his orders seriously.

Led by Jim Hewes in the East Wing

Weekday Fellowship Opportunities
The Power of the Praying Husband
Mondays, 7:00 p.m.— Meeting Room

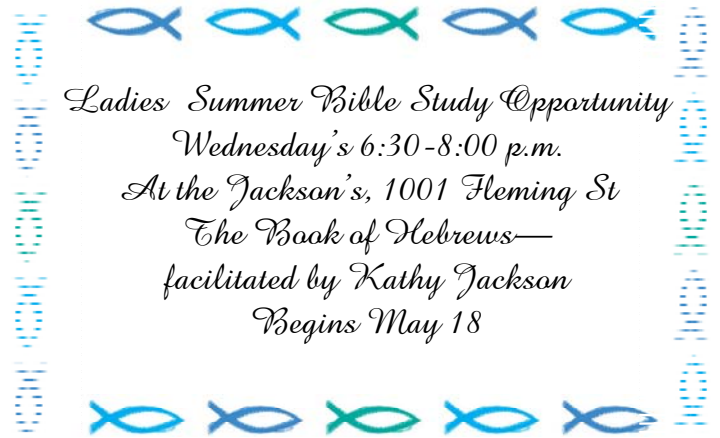
Get-together-Girls

meet on Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m.

Join the ladies for fellowship, devotions, and card ministry. Drop-ins are welcome!

*Thanks you for the \$1015 raised
for Vacation Bible Scholl at the
pie auction and BBQ.*

*Special thanks for
all the desserts.*



Ladies Summer Bible Study Opportunity
Wednesday's 6:30-8:00 p.m.
At the Jackson's, 1001 Fleming St
The Book of Hebrews—
facilitated by Kathy Jackson
Begins May 18

Monthly Opportunities—

First Tuesday of Month, 7:00 p.m.

**Men's Bible Study—Double Classroom on West
Hallway**

"He Who Dies with the Most Toys Still Dies

**Next Meeting for
Stephen Ministry**



All Active Stephen Ministers:
Meeting Tuesday **July**
at 6:30 pm
in the East Wing;
Supervision Meeting
Sunday, **July** **at 11:15.**

Summer Sunday School

Big Group Sunday School for
3yrs old—6th Grade
will be at 10:15 in the Fellowship Hall

July 2016 Servants

Worship Assistants
Altar Committee

Roy Cessna & Ron Thiele
Dana Polson

Acolytes

July	3	Chloe Powell & Jacynda Vargas
	10	Grace Reagle
	17	Holley Douglas
	24	Sydney Jo Sheets
	31	Colby Cessna & Kash Sheets
August	7	Chloe Powell
	14	Alex Foreman & Bryce Foreman

PowerPoint

July	3	Clara Jackson
	10	Rachel Foreman
	17	Grace Reagle
	24	Bailey Pauley
	31	Alex Foreman
August	7	Clara Jackson
	14	Grace Reagle

Lectors

July	3	Darett Burr
	10	Ron Hall
	17	Jay Meyer
	24	Alice Banning
	31	Ed Adams

Nursery

July	3	Alexis Powell
	10	Bailey Pauley
	17	Taylor Schiltz
	24	Clara Jackson
	31	Grace Reagle

Notice to ALL servants:

This is a very important service to the church. Please take this seriously. If this time does not work for you, it is your responsibility to find a replacement or trade with someone else. You may call Katy at the church office, 276-3110 for suggestions or phone numbers.

JUST 4 YOUTH!



Wednesday Youth Activities

6:30-8:00

July 6—Ice Cream Social

July 13—Nerf Wars

July 20—Surprise with Katy & Jill

July 27—Hungry Hippo

August 3—Annual Canoe Trip.

Find out how God's Word plays into each of the activities. Bring a friend along!

10:15 Sunday Morning

National Gathering Bible Study

In Christ Alone

for 7-12 grades and their parents even if you are not planning to attend NYG this summer.

Past Calendar:

Kansas District

Summer Camp at LVR

June 12-17



Back Row: Bailey Pauley, Clara Jackson, Rachel Foreman, Brianna Pauley (Milo) 2nd Row: Alex Foreman, Hannah Schultz, Abigail Jarmer, Grace Reagle and Leland Jackson Front: Veronica Aguilar, Lizzy Smith, Marco Esquivel, Mitch McKinley.

July 16-20, 2016

The bus leaves Garden on at 5 a.m. on July 13 arrives in NOLA at 5 p.m. on July 14 The group returns back in Garden City around 11 a.m. on July 21.



Registered: Flavio & Marco Esquivel, Jake Froetschner, Clara Jackson Mitch McKinley, Alexis Powell, Hannah Schultz, Jaycob & Jacynda Vargas
Adults: Leticia Esquivel, Jennifer Froetschner, Rachelle Powell and Jaclyn Vargas.

Future Calendar:

Young Adult Ministry! (YAMs)

Post High School through 30's meet
Wednesdays from 8-9 p.m. in the church basement!



Rummage Sale

July 8-9

Donations may be brought to the Fellowship Hall the week of July 5, during business hours.

Help needed to set up Tuesday through Friday July 5-8, **from 10 a.m.-5 p.m.**

Help during the garage sale, Friday July 8th, noon to 6 p.m. and Saturday 8 to noon.

Start tearing down at noon. Lots of help needed to tear down left over items and hauled away. Opportunity to earn money for your account. Youth especially but willing adults to help, also welcome.

Please call Leland, 272-7003, June 27-July 6 if you have large items, or a need for help getting your donation to the church!

Contact Bernie Reetz for questions and to sign up as helpers. 620-290-5929.

Canoeing the Niobrara River

Valentine, NE.

August 3-6, 2016

\$130



Let's Road Trip Ladies!

Let's go to Norfolk, NE to serve in the Orphan Grain Train Warehouse. July 10-13.

Not only will we learn more about the ministry of Orphan Grain Train, but we will help sort items in their warehouse. The New Victorian Inn offers discounted rooms for those serving with OGT. Cost for the trip will be approx. \$100. Contact Kathy Jackson @ 620-640-6869 if you are interested. And check out www.ogt.org to learn more about Orphan Grain Train



PieceMakers

At the end of the summer, what will you have done for the good of another? If you are into serving and sewing then come join the PieceMakers every **Wednesday until August 3, 10 am - 12:30**. Bring a sack lunch and bring a friend!

On Thursday, **August 4** we will deliver the lap robes to Heartland Cancer Center; then have a swim party!

Quilts will be blessed in the **July 31** worship service.

Questions: Call Mary Jo, 276-5240 or Kathy Jackson, 640-6968

Follow the Sign News

Yes, we are still getting more information on prices. We have prices from Dodge City, and are waiting for prices from Garden City. Keep watching the newsletter. If you have any suggestions, ideas, or gifts, all are welcome!! May God lead us to make the best choice to give glory to Him our Creator.

Committee members:

Joanna Boles, Marty Nusser, Buddy Skeie, Kevin Lampe, Tonya Chmielewski



The Church Leadership Council, as directed by our Bylaws, is hereby calling upon our communicant members to submit names of individuals to be considered for the following leadership positions in our congregation:

President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Church Leadership Council (at least one open position) and Board of Lay Ministry (four open positions).

*We would encourage members to review our Bylaws to check eligibility requirements for these leadership positions and submit the name or names of any individual(s) you would like to nominate for any of the positions. Nominations should be submitted in writing to the Ministry Staff and/or the Church Leadership Council by **July 10th at noon**. Thank you.*

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!



Darett Burr	7/1	
Alice Banning		7/2
Jacque Griffin		7/2
Colton Obregon		7/2
Manuel Gevara	7/4	
Coleman Wasson	7/4	
Joanna Boles		7/5
Payton Blevins	7/6	
Debra Schiffelbein	7/6	
Evan Creacy		7/7
Kyler Line		7/7
Sean White	7/9	
Christine Neeb		7/10
Jim Hemmert	7/11	
Bernice Robinson	7/11	
Ashley Simmons	7/11	
Faith Bascue		7/12
Kashly Schweer		7/12
Jay Meyer	7/13	
Artemio Rodriguez	7/13	
Devin Marquis		7/15
Maria Paylor		7/15
Hannah Meyer	7/17	
Brett Powell	7/17	
Janice Stephens	7/17	
Larry Wilken	7/17	
Klent McMillan		7/18
Sharon Parks		7/18
Tzionah Palmer	7/19	
Daniel McMillan		7/20
Gretchen Hogan	7/21	
Loretta Schultz	7/21	
Ginger Douglas		7/22
DeAnna Gerhardt	7/23	
Madelyn Labrier	7/23	
Dorothy Mueller	7/23	
Monte Algrim		7/24
Doug Petersen	7/26	
Eugene Hurd		7/27
Rick Foreman	7/28	
Mary Lee Molz	7/28	
Aaron Miller		7/29
Tammy Lampe	7/30	
Kyler Millershaski	7/30	
Otis Molz	7/30	
Fern Becker		7/31
Evan Nelson		7/31

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

Aaron & Melissa Miller	7/4	
Manuel & Kathy Gevara		7/6
Gerry & Loretta Schultz	7/12	
Wayne & Michelle Lauck		7/14
Noel & Norma Simpson		7/14
Gary & Jana Millershaski	7/16	
Tim & Diann Stone		7/24
Jesse & Jaclyn Vargas	7/27	
Ed & Alice Banning		7/28
Gary & Joyce Kraft		7/28
Jim & Joyce Baker	7/29	

**TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH – VOTERS’ MEETING
MINUTES OF THE MEETING JANUARY 24, 2016, 1:00 p.m.**

Thirty-eight people signed the attendance roster.

Jay Meyer called the meeting to order and opened with a devotion entitled “Our Debts are Paid” based on Romans 4:25, followed by prayer.

Minutes from the June 28, 2015 Voters’ meeting was presented. Gerry Schultz moved and Jared Froetschner seconded that the minutes be approved. The motion passed by voice vote.

Loretta Schultz presented the following financial information as of December 31, 2015:

Offerings:	\$511,301
Expenses:	(\$542,097)
2015 Deficit:	(\$ 30,796)
Surplus:	\$106,291

She also reported that as of December 31, 2015 the balance of the Narthex Remodel was \$40,472 but as of today the balance is \$0.00. The Doxology was sung in Praise and Thanksgiving to God.

Jay Meyer reported that the Financial Review Committee completed their review of 2013 and 2014. They submitted recommendations to the Church Leadership Council (CLC). Recommendations were addressed by the CLC with the majority of the recommendations being implemented.

The Call Committee report was presented by Jay Meyer. He stated that the Congregational Self-Study was given to Pastor Lange when he visited in December. Jay read a Thank You from Pastor Lange for his visit. Jay went on to state that the Congregational nominations had been received the first week of January and the committee is currently waiting on the list of candidates from District.

There was no old business to be acted upon. The floor was opened for new business.

Jay Meyer reported that the Church Leadership Council (CLC) received a list of organizations from the Ad Hoc Mission Committee to consider for the 2015 Additional Tithe. The amount is \$8,865. CLC is recommending the following: 1/3 (\$2,955) each to: Lead A Child, Orphan Grain Train, and Lutheran World Relief. Bob Drees moved to accept the Church Leadership Council’s recommendation for expenditure of the 2015 Additional Tithe amount. Motion was seconded by Jerry Bitter and passed by voice vote.

Jay Meyer reported that the Church Leadership Council voted to disburse the 2015 Royalty Income of \$9,436 as follows:

LCMS Disaster Relief Fund - \$2,436, Lutheran Valley Retreat - \$1,400, Concordia Seward - \$1,400, Kindle - \$1,400, Lighted Path - \$1,400 and Haskell Lighthouse - \$1,400. CLC issued a challenge to the congregation to try and match the amount for LCMS Disaster Relief Fund. Gerry Schultz moved to ratify the Church Leadership Council vote, Paul Pauley seconded the motion and it passed by voice vote. Jerry Bitter moved that CLC determine the disbursement of the 2016 Royalty Income in December, 2016. Paul Pauley seconded the motion. Jay Meyer gave a history of the Royalty Income. Discussion followed and mission ideas were shared. Motion passed by a voice vote.

Loretta Schultz presented the 2016 Ministry Plan/Budget in the amount of \$497,500 (see attached). Jay Meyer stated that this amount included cost of living wage increases for the current staff and a pastor salary for 6 months based on a minimum of 10 years of experience. Discussion followed. Gerry Schultz moved that the 2016 Ministry Plan/Budget for \$497,500 be accepted. Chuck Messenger seconded the motion and it passed by voice vote.

Jay Meyer reported that CLC recommends increasing the Janitorial position hours from 25 to 30. Loretta Schultz presented a revised 2016 Ministry Plan/Budget reflecting this recommendation, which increases the amount to \$500,000 (see attached). Discussion followed. Martin Nusser moved to amend the above approved motion to read \$500,000. Mike Reagle seconded the amended motion and it passed by voice vote.

There was no further business to be brought before the Voters’.

Jared Froetschner moved to adjourn. Mike Reagle seconded and the motion passed by voice vote. Meeting was closed with singing The Doxology.

Respectfully Submitted,

Judy Schweer, Secretary

Thanks for countless volunteer hours to make VBS possible.

Your kind donations and gifts

Thanks be to God for a week of Deep Sea Discovery



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Trinity Lutheran Church : Vision Statement

To create a 21st century mission post in southwest Kansas where people of all ages are touched by the love of Jesus in dynamic worship, Bible study and fellowship;

A mission post where persistent efforts will be made to equip disciples, using every resource the Spirit makes available, to share Christ with everyone.

Mission Minded

Inspired to use spiritual gifts

Serving in love

Seeking the lost

Integrating all members

Ongoing education for all

Nurturing family environment

Praying priesthood

Opportunities for giving/receiving God's grace

Scripturally focused

Touched by Christ's love