

# TRINITY TRANSMITTER

How do you see yourself? When you look in the mirror, does joy fill your heart? Maybe questions like these embarrass you. Maybe a sheepish grin spreads across your face when you read questions like these. Think for a moment about what our Lord says concerning us. God, the only one whose judgement of our lives stands final and irrevocable, has accepted us in Jesus Christ. It is to this thrilling and inspiring truth that Paul alludes when he reminds us in the book of Galatians that we have been "baptized into Christ." That means we are covered with Christ - His goodness, His love, His perfection. Others may see our glaring flaws, faults, and failures and never cease to parade and publicize them before us and the world. We may be all too painfully conscious of our repeated sins, our obvious shortcomings and inadequacies. But God sees none of this. He looks on us and beholds His once dead, but now ever living Son. And He pronounces His verdict: "Perfect! This child of mine couldn't be better."

With that divine pronouncement ringing in our ears, we are able to rise each morning, look at ourselves in the mirror, and say: "I am God's forgiven child, dearly loved and valued. In Baptism, God has covered us with Christ His Son." That kind of view of ourselves brings certain inner peace and joy regardless of how many times Satan reminds us of our sins.

As God's beloved children we can come to our Heavenly Father in Prayer! November 6<sup>th</sup> is The International Day of Prayer and an opportunity to participate in a Prayer Vigil at Trinity, that afternoon in the Sanctuary. The Wednesday night "Before Amen" Adult class will serve as hosts. Consider spending some time in prayer with your brothers and sisters at TLC and around the world. There will be an outline of what to pray for, and prayers that can be read as well. And even if you cannot participate with the Prayer Vigil you can pick up a prayer outline for your own private prayers at your home.

An acrostic you can use for prayer is:

Adoration: These are prayers of Praise for who God is: Powerful, creative, loving, merciful

**C**onfession: Sins known and unknown, attitudes or priorities that need to refocus on God. A time to ask for forgiveness, and a chance to feel God's Holy Hug of Absolution

Thanksgiving: Prayers for health, family, home, sunsets, children

Supplication: Asking God to intercede on behalf of those who are struggling financially, spiritually, physically, emotionally;

for direction in one's life, or the ministry of Trinity and for the future pastor.

Prayer is conversation with our Heavenly Father; a Heavenly Father who loves us now and forever more.

St. Paul reminds us in 1 Thessalonians 5:17 "To Pray Continually" Hope to see you at church on November 6!

For Christ and His Church,

Celand

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TLC Mission Statement: KNOW CHRIST † SHARE CHRIST † SERVE CHRIST

#### ENDOWMENT NEWS:

A few years ago, Pastor Dennis Fitzpatrick wrote: "Here at Trinity Garden City, God has grown our church's endowment to over \$1M. We should not be complacent and be good stewards of this endowment.... Prayerfully consider what this means: Each year Trinity will have new resources for ministry. What would God have us do?"

Pastor Lyle Stuehrenberg summed up the concept of Endowment, when established in 1997, as: 'building up God's church'.

LCMS encourages endowments at each member church and support of the LCMS Foundation, and so should Trinity.

The regular meeting of the Endowment Board will be February 20, 2017 at 4:00 p.m. at the Meeting Room at Trinity. The Endowment Board last met in August to review current investments. There is a likelihood of funds to be available for ministry from the Endowment Fund following the February 2017 meeting. The Board will receive requests for ministry projects and requests that the same be made in writing and given to any Board member. Such requests can also be submitted electronically to the undersigned at <u>gos@cox.net</u>.

Trinity has been blessed with good stewards of God's Blessings and we, in turn, need to put this Fund to work for to spread the Gospel here on Earth.

Respectfully,

Gerry Schultz Endowment Board Chairman

New part-time position recently created. TLC is looking for a bookkeeper to perform church fund accounting, payables/ receivables and payroll. QuickBooks and Excel software experience required. Average of 30 hours per week.

Salary commensurable with experience. Please email resumes to <u>nucinc@gcnet.com</u> or mail to P.O. Box 1925, Garden City, KS 67846.

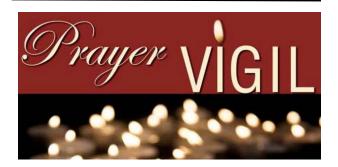
### TLC Family Care Connections We pray for...

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

Health Concerns: Jim Baker, Pat Bridges, Kelly Chopp, Johanna Hall, Jay Holste, Gary Kraft, Aspen Phillips, Gloria Magallan, Aaron Schiffelbein, Loretta Schultz, Lupita Tapia, Dianne Wilken,

If you have a prayer concern, please call the office

\*\* always obtain permission before sharing another's concerns



November 6 is International Day of Prayer. Join your TLC brothers and sisters for a moment of prayer that day.

A Prayer Vigil will be held from **noon - 6 pm** in the Church Sanctuary. Prayer formats will be provided. Whole families are encouraged to attend, as fathers/grandfather teach the importance of prayer to their children. Stay for as long, or as short, a time as desired. Hosts and Hostesses will be available to assist you.

At 6 pm the movie "War Room" will be shown in the East Wing. This movie is rated PG and is suitable for children 13 and older. Childcare will be available. Bring a snack to share. Invite a friend.

If you have questions, please contact Kathy Jackson 640-6968 or Bernie Reetz 290-5929. This event is being hosted by the Wednesday night Bible Class, "Before Amen".

Kathy Jackson Romans 12:1-2

## **Christian Education**

## Sunday Morning Bible Studies 10:15 a.m.

**The Moment**-Lutheran Hour Ministries video series part 2 The Reformation changed more than religion. What started out as Martin Luther's protest against the sale of indulgences would change the very fabric of society and Western Civilization. Viewers will witness the interplay of personalities and events that led to the Protestant Reformation.

Led by Jim Hewes in the East Wing

#### What's New in the News

Contemporary news stories, with a Biblical response. Led by Cynthia Lavrenz in the Meeting Room

#### Weekday Fellowship Opportunities Act Like Men

Focuses on what Paul meant in 1 Corinthians 16:13 when he said act like men. Mondays, 7:00 p.m.— Meeting Room

#### **Get-Pogether-Girls**

meet on Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. Join the ladies for fellowship, devotions, and card ministry. Drop-ins are welcome!

#### Brown Bag Bible Buddies Lutheranism 101: The Lord's Supper

meet on Tuesdays at noon, bring your lunch! Examine what Scripture and the Confessions have to say about the life-giving blessing given by God to the Church: a miracle in bread and wine established by the God-man Jesus Christ— the gift of His true body to eat and His true blood to drink for the forgiveness of sins.

Galatians Philipians Colossians—LifeLight Thursdays, at 1:30 p.m.

#### Monthly Opportunities—

First Tuesday of Month, 7:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study—Double Classroom—West Hallway

### WEDNESDAY MIDWEEK SCHEDULE

5:45-6:30	Dinner
6:30-7:30	Midweek Classes

## MIDWEEK CLASSES

6:30-7:30

**Preschool-6th grade** Confirmation Preparation. All students will be fed spiritually and learn the value of God's Word and of their church family

7th & 8th Grade Confirmation led by DCE Cynthia Lavrenz

High School small groups led by DCE Leland Jackson

#### ADULT BIBLE STUDIES

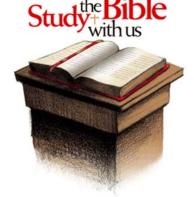
Before Amen, written by Max Lucado. The power of a simple prayer. Do you struggle to pray? We aren't the first to struggle with prayer. Join Max Lucado on a journey to the very heart of Biblical prayer and these six simple lines: Father. You are good. I need help. They need help. Thank you. In Jesus's name, amen. Facilitated by Kathy Jackson—in the East Wing

#### Romans—LifeLight

A 9-week Bible study group. God reveals the way of salvation to us through His Word. Led by Ron Thiele—Meeting Room



All Stephen Ministers: Meeting Tuesday November 8 at 6:30 pm for ongoing education; and November 29 at 6:30 for In-Depth review in the East Wing.



## November 2016 Servants

Worship Assistants Mark Nelsen & John Polson Altar Committee Dana Polson

#### 8 Acolytes

- Holley Douglas & Jenna Nelson November 6 13 Bryce Foreman 20 Calista Davis 22 6:30 Bryce Foreman 27 Kaleb Reagle Chloe Powell 30 6:30 December 4 Colby Cessna 7 Holley Douglas 6:30 Jenna Nelson 11 14 6:30 Calista Davis **PowerPoint** November Clara Jackson 6 13 Alex Foreman 20 Bailey Pauley 22 6:30 Alexis Powell 27 **Bryce** Foreman 30 6:30 Grace Reagle December 4 Clara Jackson 7 6:30 Alex Foreman 11 Bailey Pauley
  - 14 6:30 Bryce Foreman

#### Lectors

- November 6 Darett Burr
  - 13 Leland Jackson
  - 20 Ron Hall
  - 22 6:30 Kelly Butcher
  - 27 Jay Meyer
  - 30 6:30 Clara Jackson

#### Nursery

- November 6 Alexis Powell
  - 13 Bailey Pauley
  - 20 Taylor Schiltz
  - 27 Brianna Pauley

#### 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.



### Wednesday Youth Activities

Join us Wednesdays for dinner beginning at 5:45 and class/activities at 6:30. In the month of October Brianna Pauley will lead some of the devotional thoughts that she experienced as Staff at LVR Summer Camp.

Each Sunday we will do a Bible study on the theme for worship that morning.

## Past Calendar:

## **Junior High Rally**

Rexford, Sept. 30-Oct. 1st

24 participated with the event, from Atwood, Dodge City, Garden City, Hays, Oakley and Norton.



**Mystery Bus** 

Tour-Friday

October 21-22

overnight.



All Saints Eve— Bonfire 7-9 p.m. in the back lot of Trinity!





**District Youth** Gathering November 18-20 Hyatt Hotel in Wichita.

**Registered:** Alex Foreman, Člara Jackson, Hannah Schultz and Leland Jackson

### **Upcoming Events:**



Order your Christmas Wreaths and Swags! Orders are due on November 20.

## Future Calendar:

December 27-31 Winter Retreat 'Fire on the Mountain" \$25



January 27-28 Confirmation Retreat in Rexford



February 16-19, 2017 Śki Trip Monarch, CO Travel on Thursday to Salida, CO. Ski on Friday and Saturday, stay over and worship with First Lutheran in Salida.

#### Wild Wild West April 7 & 8 Paintball event in Colby and Rexford.

MEXICO MISSION Mexico Mission Trip-March 11-17, 2017 or March 18-24, 2017 Due to the Generosity of the LWML of the

KS District and others; members of Trinity can go to Mexico for \$100.00. Deposits of only \$25.00 are due by December 1

## Young Adult Ministry! (YAMs) Post High School through 30's meet

Wednesdays from 8-9 p.m. in the church basement! For the month of November the group will go through the DVD series "Overcoming Emotions That Destroy" \*The Monster that lives within \*The three faces of anger \*Anger is a Secondary Emotion that Destroys \*Anger is a Secondary Emotion that Destroys Pt 2





1 Thessalonians 5:18a reminds us to give thanks in all circumstances. Mrs. Lampe, Mrs. Barnhardt and all the preschoolers want to THANK all of you for your support; the bake sale total was \$902; that is awesome! We will be doing some shopping for toys for our school.

Trinity 3 will be learning about how Jesus takes care of us and how veterinarians help us take care of our pets and sometimes how our pets help us. Both classes had a visit from a comfort dog that travels the state, hopefully some of you got to see her Wednesday night at supper. After taking care of our pets Trinity 3 will shoot off to the moon to see what an Astronaut does, but we will land back on Earth just in time to enjoy Thanksgiving with our family. Trinity 4 will be learning numbers by way of the Thanksgiving story, why did the first Pil-

Trinity 4 will be learning numbers by way of the Thanksgiving story, why did the first Pilgrims come to America and who helped them build houses and plant food for the meal that we call Thanksgiving? They will put on a short skit for their parents followed by a feast!

Serving Christ together,

## Tammy Lampe & Brittany Barnhardt



On October 8th the LWML Southwest Zone had their Fall Workshop hosted by Trinity. Mary Jo Schultz gave a presentation on Days for Girls ~ an international project for girls to supply health kits. Bernie Reetz updated us on the happenings from district. Kathy Jackson lead the group with her musical talents. We enjoyed a wonderful day of fellowship and fun. A big Thank You for the many people who donated their time & talent to help make the Fall Workshop a success!

You can win this quilt! LWML is selling raffle tickets. \$1 per ticket or 6 tickets for \$5.

Engage, Encourage, Equip, Enjoy, *Christy Creacy* 





## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!



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## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

Robert & Karla Garman	11/1	
James & Tina Davis	, .	11/2
Earl & Martha Robinson	11/4	
Buddy & Lorinda Skeie		11/13
Ed & Corrine Adams	11/21	
David & Janet Colson		11/24
Lonnie & Christy Creacy	11/26	
Ronald & Brooksie Appel		11/27

### Salvation Army Coat Drive November 11 & 12 Friday: 1:15-7, Saturday: 10-4

Please bring your coats to the building on 9<sup>th</sup> street, not at the Thrift Store, before November 11. Please make sure the zippers work and check for any buttons missing. Please leave the coat on a hanger, that will help the process.



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Stewardship Moment for November, 2016.

As the church year closes, the church calendar tells us that we will celebrate All Saints Day, Thanksgiving and start a new church year.....all in November. What is so special about November? Perhaps it is the last of the seasonal weather. Maybe it is the gathering of all the fall crops? Possibly the eagerness of 'opening

day' of upland bird hunting? Conceivably a 'slow down' to the hustle and bustle of the agrarian part of our economy? Could it be that November cannot be stated aloud without a memory about a time of 'thanks'.

To the early colonists on this continent in 1621, they were God fearing people but without the Indians, they were surely doomed. History demonstrates that the first acts of 'thanks' had to be from some really hungry people who had been shown grace by the indigenous people. Several hundred years later, President Abraham Lincoln, during the height of the great civil war, declared the last Thursday of November a national day of remembrance. In the midst of the Great Depression, Thanksgiving Day was moved up a week in an attempt to spur the economy, but that idea was again changed in 1941. Today we have football games and parades on the last Thursday of November, and the next day, well, it's a frenzied shopping day. Perhaps President Roosevelt is smiling at all the economic activity of that day. Well that's history. What about us this November? To whom should we be thankful?

Yes, there are plenty of people that have guided us on our earthly path, been instrumental in our growth, education and success. But why were the pilgrims so thankful in 1621? The answer is simple. They had sought freedom to exercise their religious beliefs. They had been given a bountiful harvest, having befriended the God-provided natives of this land. And it was a celebration acknowledging that these gifts, were not of their own doing, but from the hand of God.

To excel in the grace of giving invites each member of Trinity to ponder what has been freely given to us. It is sufficient if your stewardship moment changes from "what is being asked" to focus on "thank you". Thank you God for loving me. Thank you God for all, for everything. Thank you not for what is being asked of me, but rather thank you Jesus to help me do, say and give in response to His unending grace.

Stewardship Team



Thanksgiving Eve Supper—Tuesday, November 22 at 5:30 p.m.

Help support the annual Thanksgiving Eve Supper by providing the following:
\*4 Bags of Frozen Corn (Sams) \* 8 Cans of Green Beans
\*50# White Potatoes \*50# Sweet Potatoes
Veggie needed include Broccoli, cauliflower, carrots, cucumbers, cherry and or grape tomatoes
Willing to donate any of the items above please contact Lisa Theye @ 640-7233 or the church office at 276-3110.



<u>ALL</u> children, 3 year olds through 8th grades are encouraged to attend these rehearsals and participate in the service.

## Children's Christmas Service Sunday, December 18

Rehearsals will be during **Sunday School** opening, 10:15-10:35 on November 6, 13, 20, 27, December 4, 11; and at Midweek, on **Wednesdays** 

November 9, 16, (7:30-7:50) November 30, December 7, 14 (7:00-7:50)



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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 Non-Profit Org Prsrt Std U.S. Postage Paid Garden City, KS Permit # 143