



# TRINITY TRANSMITTER

## May 2019

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Rev. Dale A. Meyer, former speaker of the Lutheran Hour and current president of Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, tells a story about a volunteer who was searching for a minister in the hurricane devastation of the Gulf Coast area. This man was trying to drive through a subdivision to find the home of a certain minister. House numbers were of little help because the houses in that subdivision had been moved around by the storm surge. When he saw a man standing in his driveway, he approached and said he was looking for pastor so-and-so. "You found him," the man said.

Picture that...A man standing before his ruined home. Standing there and thinking. Thinking only his thoughts and maybe thinking about God, maybe.

As I look back in history, I assume this has been the case with many people in the midst of tragedy in their life. As I write, I'm sure many are lost in their thoughts like this pastor; the many in Nebraska who have nothing because of floods and the Christians in Sri Lanka whose Easter was a day of mourning rather than joy.

Maybe you have experienced that moment in your life. Just standing. Standing before brokenness. Just standing there and thinking. Thinking all alone with your thoughts. Weighed down by the unfairness of so much in life. Sometimes you are alone wrestling with the unfair way God seems to treat you.

Wouldn't it be great if we could add a little sugar to those times in life? A little sweetener and cream? Sometimes the bitter hours of our life need a little sugar.

Take enough time alone with God and He'll add the sweetener. Maybe it'll come in reading your Portal of Prayers or your Bible. Maybe a favorite hymn or Bible passage memorized long ago will add that sugar cube you've needed. Maybe it will be from participating in Bible Study or a small group study.

The sweetener is the Spirit of Jesus, who suffered unjustly but gives hope by His resurrection. God says, "Friend, I am not being unfair to you, I am with you" (Matthew 20:13, 28:20).

Your thoughts sweetened? If not, be sure to read some more from The Book that gives life its sweetener.

*Pastor Hageman*

**TLC Mission Statement:**

**KNOW CHRIST**  
 †  
**SHARE CHRIST**  
 †  
**SERVE CHRIST**

# Welcome Get+together+Guys



A special invitation to our Trinity men and friends...

Get together Guys will be initiated April 30! Men are invited to come to the church for an hour long event. This time will be spent with a devotion and prayer plus some great fellowship and card playing.

Mark your calendar for **Tuesday, April 30<sup>th</sup> at 10:00**



Join us for fellowship, cards, and other games on **Friday each week at 7 p.m.** at Trinity in the East Wing. We will have snacks and several games to choose from. Join us for a devotion, fun, and end with prayer.

**Bernie Reetz, 620-290-5929**



## TLC Family Care Connections

We pray for...

- ✝ **Shut-Ins:** Bill Bridges, Irene Gestenslager, Evelyn Kowalke, Bernice Robinson, Hellen Strickland, Lillian VonLintel, Johanna Hall
- ✝ **Health Concerns:** Aaron Schiffelbein, Dianne Wilken, Terri Schweer, George Dugan, Sandy Fine, Kelly Chopp, Tim Cruz, Rosemary Corbett

*If you have a prayer concern, please call the office*

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



Of the \$76,000 voters approved, the remaining balance is **\$13,820.41**. May we continue to make donations for the sign with hopes to finish paying for it in the next few months.

# Christian Education

## Weekday Fellowship Opportunities

### Get-together-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

*The Girl's Still Got It*  
Tuesdays at Noon  
Bring a sack lunch if you want!

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## Midweek Closing Event

**May 8**  
**6:00-7:30**

Come for fun and celebrate another year in your  
faith journey!

- † Meal provided by *TLC's Planting Seeds of Faith!*
- † Laser Tag and Zorro Balls in the front yard!



## Weekly Bible Studies

Sunday 10:30 a.m.

*Parables of Jesus—East Wing*

## Wednesday Evening Bible Studies

6:30 p.m.

*Weekly Interest Studies*

Meets in the Double Classroom West Hallway



Have you seen the ministry of the  
**Stephen Ministers** here at Trinity?  
Have you thought that perhaps you would like  
to participate in this ministry?

Your opportunity to do so has arrived!  
The next **Stephen Ministry** training class will  
begin June 17, 2019 at 6:30 p.m.

On May 26 during the Adult Sunday School  
there will be a brief informational meeting.

Sunday, June 2 at 5:00 p.m. Trinity will be  
hosting a gathering along with the Methodist  
group giving an in-depth look at **Stephen Min-  
istry**.

If you would like to participate in this class,  
or if you have questions about **Stephen  
Ministers**, please talk to Pastor Mike,  
Cynthia Lavrenz, or Tammy Lampe

## Next Meeting for Stephen Ministry

**Monday, May 13 at 6:30** in the  
East Wing

# Miraculous Mission Luncheon

## A Fundraiser for VBS!

May 5 at 11:30 a.m.  
Fellowship Hall



Bake a pie or two...  
then buy a pie or two  
or make a dessert or  
two... and then buy  
two...

Sign-up in Lobby

We will provide fried  
chicken and ask you to  
bring a salad or vegetable  
to share...

Free-will donation



***After you have purchased your scrumptious dessert  
we will furnish the ice cream.***



# MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT

## Ways you can support Trinity while doing what you do!!

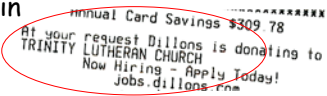


**A Way to Raise Funds for Trinity**  
 Purchases made at [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com) are eligible for donations of .5% of the price of purchases Use: <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/48-0679659>  
**\$64.77 was received in 2018, please use this resource!!**



**Dillons Community Rewards**  
 Support Trinity through *Community Rewards*. Visit [www.dillons.com/communityrewards](http://www.dillons.com/communityrewards) and enroll your Plus Shopper's Card in the program.  
**YOU MUST RE-ENROLL Each Year! Our account number is GF271**

If you need help, please feel free to come in or call Katy, she can help you with this!  
 Check your receipts, ensure it reads this!



In 2018, with **42 households** using this reward, Trinity received \$682.62 from Kroger!! So far in 2019, we have received \$180.40! **Imagine if everyone used this!**

### Do you find it hard to remember to get that offering check written, or to find the envelope?? Here is a solution! Simply Giving!!!



The Simply Giving® Program endorsed by Thrivent Federal Credit Union is a simple, reliable way to make your regular contributions to our congregation through automated giving. We would love for you to get started! Pick up an authorization form in the lobby today. Secure donation services are provided by Vanco Services, LLC who processes electronic donations for thousands of churches and nonprofit organizations. Simply Giving® is a registered trademark of Thrivent Financial for Lutherans. Thrivent Federal Credit Union assumes no responsibility for the products and services offered by Vanco Services under the Simply Giving® Program.



**Thrivent Members:**  
**MAKE a DIFFERENCE**  
 by directing your  
**Thrivent Choice Dollars!**

Trinity Lutheran is a recognized organization of **Thrivent Choice**. If you earn **Thrivent Choice Dollars**, you can donate them to Trinity. Go to: [www.thrivent.com/making-a-difference/living-generously/thrivent-choice](http://www.thrivent.com/making-a-difference/living-generously/thrivent-choice) to donate now!

# Youth Activities!

Midweek Wednesdays at 6:30 pm

Sunday School at 10:30 am

Sunday Activities 11:30-1:00

Come for Spiritual and relational growth!



## Results of recent Fundraisers!!

Mystery Meal	\$366.49
Penny War	\$307.40

## Youth Ministry Summer Plans

Sundays at 11:30

### NYG Team Building

Monday, April 29

National Gathering participants will engage in team building as they prepare for their adventure at the National Youth Gathering in July!



Trinity's Youth Mission Statement:  
Trinity has Waffles for their youth ministry!

- W Warm
- A Accepting
- F Fun
- F Friendly
- L Loving
- E Encouraging
- S Safe



## May 2019

**Worship Assistants** Saturdays: Ed Adams  
Sundays: Roy Cessna & Kenny Graubeger  
**Altar Committee** Saturdays: Rachelle Powell  
Sundays: Julie Cessna & Penny Graubeger

### **Acolytes**

May	4	5:30	Calista Davis
	5	9:00	Bryce Foreman
	11	5:30	Kaleb Reagle
	12	9:00	Colby Cessna
	18	5:30	Chloe Powell
	19	9:00	Jenna Nelson & Trista Smith
	25	5:30	Kiera Hageman
	26	9:00	Brady Cessna
June	1	5:30	Calista Davis
	2	9:00	Bryce Foreman

### **PowerPoint**

May	4	5:30	Jenna Nelson
	5	9:00	Alex Foreman
	11	5:30	Grace Reagle
	12	9:00	Bryce Foreman
	18	5:30	Selah Hageman
	19	9:00	Selah Hageman
	25	5:30	Chloe Powell
	26	9:00	Kaleb Reagle
June	1	5:30	Michael Nelson
	2	9:00	Calista Davis

### **Lectors**

May	4	5:30	Martin Nusser
	5	9:00	Jerry Bitter
	11	5:30	Darett Burr
	12	9:00	Jay Meyer
	18	5:30	Cynthia Lavrenz
	19	9:00	Alice Banning
	25	5:30	John Polson
	26	9:00	Alex Foreman



Dear Trinity family and friends,

We're getting ready for a great Vacation Bible School! This year, we are using Concordia Publishing House's *Miraculous Mission*. VBS children will learn that Jesus saves the world! They'll look into the Bible, God's Holy Word, and explore four Bible accounts where God points to our Savior, Jesus. They will get to learn about the vast and amazing love that God has for each of us!

Our VBS will be held Tuesday to Friday, May 28-31 from 9:00-Noon here at Trinity.

It is our prayer that God has VBS in His plan for your life! We know Jesus will work through YOU at VBS. The VBS Leadership Team is asking you as, a person who has the energy, the creativity, and a commitment to share the Gospel of Jesus Christ with God's children in our congregation and our community to join us by sharing your talents. We'd like you to prayerfully consider serving in any number of positions.

Thanks for taking the time to pray and consider being part of our mission. Please give me a call (276-3110), send me an e-mail ([dcecynthia@tlcgck.kscoxmail.com](mailto:dcecynthia@tlcgck.kscoxmail.com)), or stop by my office. I look forward to exploring the possibilities with you.

We hope you'll join us as we celebrate God's promises and our Savior, Jesus, at *Miraculous Mission* VBS!

God's blessings,  
*Cynthia Lavrenz* DCE





# TLC PRESCHOOL



He has risen! Not real sure where the school year has gone but we find ourselves getting ready to close out another year of learning. **Trinity-4** has worked their way through the “zoo” and now knows the letters and the sound that they make. We played in water, washed up all the toys and dishes, we even got to go to the zoo and see the real animals. If you walk down our hallway you might get to see how we painted our life size bodies. We have had a very busy year, and are ready to show off what we have learned. There will be a program and preschool graduation on Friday May 17<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. Please come and join us and see what we have done this year! And not to be out done **Trinity-3** has been just as busy. They have finished up their number book, also played in the water washing toys, and went to the zoo! Their program will be on Thursday night May 16<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. Come and let us sing and entertain you.

On May 5th we will be honoring the last of our Little Lambs families; they are Sophia Ortiz, Jordan Robinson, Sydney Alexander, Ben Hagerman, and Hannah Nelson. Please welcome them and keep them in your daily prayers.

We have openings for the next school year so be sure to let your family and friends know. They can enroll anytime through the summer, by calling the church office, or either Tammy Lampe or Tina Davis for more information. We love to tell children and their families about our risen Lord and savior Jesus!

Have a safe and memorable summer!  
Serving Christ together,  
Tammy Lampe & Tina Davis



Bruce Bailey	5/1	
Carolyn Peebles	5/1	
Bernie Reetz	5/1	
Katy Pauley	5/2	5/2
Nicole Chalmers	5/4	
Cheryl Messenger	5/7	5/7
Janelle Dugan	5/8	
Lila Miller	5/8	
Jaycob Vargas	5/8	
Brad Kerr	5/9	5/9
Emma Nelson	5/9	5/9
Verneta Jones	5/12	

Jill Hemmert	5/15	
Willard Hinkle	5/16	5/16
Donald Doll	5/18	
Brynn Wright	5/20	5/20
Kathy Kinney	5/22	
Maurice Miller	5/22	
Grace Reagle	5/22	
Kasher Gonzalez	5/24	5/24
Linda Guhr	5/25	
Brandi Walck	5/26	5/26
Rianna Wilken	5/27	
Betty Bultman	5/29	5/29
Carlene Schweer	5/29	5/29
Drew Baker	5/30	
Lonnie Creacy	5/30	
Ronald Hall	5/30	
Brent McMillan	5/30	
Jody Kerr	5/31	5/31
Nancy Killion	5/31	5/31



Wade & Jill Sowers	5/1	5/1
Lance & Brandi Walck	5/3	
Nathan & Shannon Wyatt	5/8	5/8
Michael & Betty White	5/14	
Rick & Kimberly Foreman	5/19	5/19
Gary & Jennifer Irsik	5/19	5/19
Glenn & Jenece Mitchell	5/20	
Jim & Jill Hemmert	5/21	5/21
Ron & Chris Hall	5/23	
Steve & Carol Hamann	5/28	5/28
Logan & Christy Sowers	5/28	5/28
Gordon & Kelly Drees	5/29	
Wayne & Sharon Parks	5/29	
Bruce & Zossy Algrim	5/30	5/30



## April Birthday Celebrations

The first Sunday of each month we celebrate the birthdays of the month with birthdates, Baptism dates, cake and special scriptures and prayers for the group.

Join us for

May birthdays on May 5<sup>th</sup> at the start of Sunday School hour in the Fellowship Hall.

Pictured are those present for the April celebration



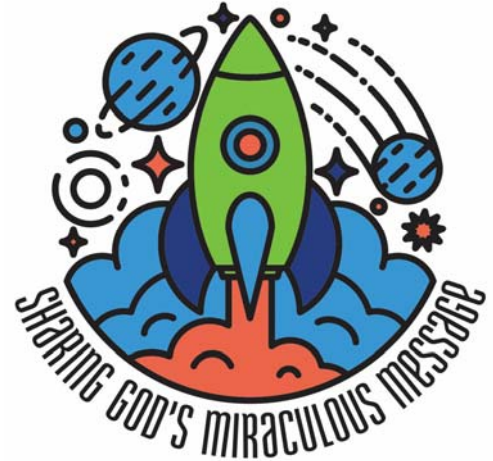
## Vacation Bible School

May 28–31, 2019 (Tuesday–Friday)

9:00–12:00

Ages 3 year olds – 6th Graders  
(must be potty trained)

Volunteers–7th graders and older



Return Service Requested

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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