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Justification.

This month let us ruminate into the profound and central doctrine of our faith:

Justification, is not just a theological term; it is the heart and soul of our understanding of salvation. It is the gracious act of God, where He declares us righteous and forgives our sins. This act is not based on our merits, works, or efforts but is a free gift of God's grace, received through faith. As Lutherans, we stand firm on the belief that we are justified by faith alone, through God's grace alone, and in Christ alone (Sola Fide, Sola Gratia, Sola Christus).

The doctrine or teaching of Justification is deeply rooted in Scripture. The Apostle Paul's writings provide the foundation for this doctrine. Paul's words in Romans 3:23-24 resonate deeply: for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus."

It is in understanding the fallen nature of humanity and the boundless grace of God that we come to appreciate the significance of Justification. We acknowledge our sinfulness and helplessness to save ourselves, and we embrace the righteousness of Christ imputed to us through faith.

While Justification is a theological concept, it has profound practical implications for our daily lives. Think about the following ways in which Justification applies to your life.

- Assurance of Salvation: Justification assures us of our salvation. There is no reason to be anxious about our eternal destiny because our righteousness does not depend on our performance, but on God's declaration and promise.
- Freedom from Legalism: Justification liberates us from trying to earn our salvation through good works. We serve God and our neighbor out of gratitude and love rather than obligation.
- Unity: Justification reminds us that all believers, regardless of their past sins are equally justified by faith in Christ. This promotes unity within the body of Christ, the church.
- Grace in Our Relationships: When we grasp the depth of God's grace in Justification, we are better equipped to extend grace to others in our relationships, forgiving as we have been forgiven.
- Motivation for Good Works: While we are not saved by our works, we are saved for good works (Ephesians 2:10). Justification motivates us to serve others and live out our faith in acts of love and compassion.

Justification is not a mere theological doctrine; it is the heartbeat of our faith. It is the bridge that connects us to the loving and gracious God who calls us into a relationship with Him. May we continue to meditate on this truth, allowing it to transform our lives and shape Trinity Lutheran. Just as Martin Luther found peace in the doctrine of Justification, may we too find the same peace and assurance in God's unmerited favor.

As we walk our faith journey, let us remember the words from Romans 5:1, "Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ." In Justification, we find peace, grace, and the unending love of our Heavenly Father.

Pastor Hageman

Preschool News



Happy Thanksgiving!

During November Trinity 4 will be talking about many ways to be thankful and will be learning their numbers. We will be talking about why and how the Pilgrims came to America, and how God was with them during their journey. Like Squanto helped and taught the Pilgrims, Mrs. Widows from the Potawatomi Tribe, will come and share with us a little about her Tribe! Trinity 4 will perform a small Thanksgiving skit for their parents followed by a Thanksgiving Feast, YUM YUM!

Trinity 3 will also be talking about the many things and people to be thankful for. They will learn about 2 more careers. The first one being a teacher and then about being a pilot, with a special guest, Kyle Horsfall, coming to talk to us about being a pilot!

While we enjoyed our intern sadly she had to drop her classes due to medical reasons, so please continue to keep Elida in your prayers.

1 Thessalonians 3:9 reminds us that we can't thank God enough for you! You support the preschool in so many ways, by your prayers and encouragement and helping us out like with our bake sale; we hope you enjoyed our way of saying Thank you by singing for you! We will continue thanking God by celebrating more preschool Little Lambs this month; Eli Shepherd, Elliot Carlson, Haven Tackett, Sophia Carlson and Elia Roth please keep them in your prayers.

Serving Christ together,

Tammy Lampe and Tina Davis



Music News



Amazing Grace, how sweet the sound. That saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but now am found. Was blind but now I see...

How truly sweet these words sound! Could there be a more well-known hymn across the world than "Amazing Grace"? It is one that has survived being sung and recorded by a wide range of genres from pop music to bagpipes, in different languages and countries. Documentaries and books, countless articles and essays can be found on this single hymn.

A life of struggle and "dangers, toils and snares" had not been brushed aside by John Newton, a man turned to slave trading after a disgraceful release from his post with the Royal Navy. After surviving a violent storm aboard a ship he concluded that it could have only been by the grace of God that he survived. This was the first step towards accepting religion. His life turned around and Newton became a minister, collaborating with the poet Willian Cowper on a collection of hymn texts known as the *Olney Hymns* (published 1779) which included "Amazing Grace".

Different versions of the hymn came into existence as it made it's way across the globe. Our Lutheran Service Book omits the second verse

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears reliev'd. How precious did that grace appear, the hour I first believ'd.

While the song plays to a person's emotions and experiences, it doesn't include Baptism, the Lord's Supper or the Word of God. To quote from the *LSB Companion To The Hymns* "The incarnation, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ the Son, who atoned for the sins of all the wretches in the world, is God's grace at its most amazing."

Kimberly Nelson



Christian Education and Family Life

Midweek Classes Wednesday's 6:30 p.m. with a meal at 5:45 p.m.

Sunday Worship and Sunday School

Worship - 9:00am
Sunday School - 10:30am
Opening in "Matthews Place" with classes to follow
LCMS U - 8:00 p.m.
Compline - 9:00 p.m.

Adult Classes

Matthews Place - The Nicene Creed - Pastor Mike

Children & Youth Classes

Pre-School -Kindergarten 1st-2nd Grades 5th-6th Grade 3rd-4th Grades and 7th thru High School

Home School – Monday mornings 9:00 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. Wednesday afternoons 12:15 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Worship and Sunday School at Grace Lutheran

Bible Class - 8:00am Worship - 9:00am

Worship and Sunday School at Immanuel Lutheran

Worship - 11:00 a.m. Bible Study – 12 noon

Other Weekday Bible Studies and Fellowship

Tuesdays

Get-Together-Girls – 10:00 a.m.

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

Wednesdays

Adult Bible Classes – 6:30pm

The Lord's Supper 101 - Men Chosen by God - Women

Youth Bible Studies – 6:30pm

Pre-School – 4^{th} Grade – Bible Stories from Scripture 5^{th} – 6^{th} - Confirmation Youth Group & High School – A Small Catechism on Human Life

Other Weekday Bible Studies and Fellowship Cont:



Monday November 27th 6:30 p.m. the East Wing

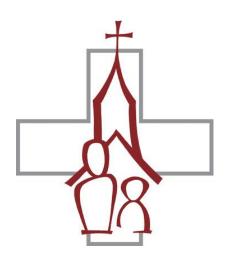
Additional Weekday Worship Service now being offered! Wednesday afternoons. Time: 12:15 p.m.



College Ministry: LCMS U is The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod's official campus ministry network. It is the place to connect and support our students, congregations, and campus ministries so we may boldly bear witness to Christ on our nation's college campuses.

The most important function of LCMS U is to provide accurate and accessible information to the Synod for all who are interested in campus ministry. This Ministry Session is being offered on Sunday Nights beginning at 8 p.m.

*We are in need of Volunteers to provide Casserole Dishes for about 6 people for these Sessions. Thank you for your support! Sign up in the Narthex Lobby.



Compline: Compline is a prayer service at the close of day in the Lutheran worship books. It is descended from the night prayers said before bed at the end of the monastic round of daily prayer. It is also known as Night Prayer and is the church's official bedtime prayer. It invites us to pray for protection in three kinds of sleep: the natural sleep of night, the sleep of the soul in sinfulness, and the sleep of death at life's end.

This Prayer Service is being offered on Sunday Night's beginning at 9 p.m. Hope you will be able to join us for this evening of prayer.

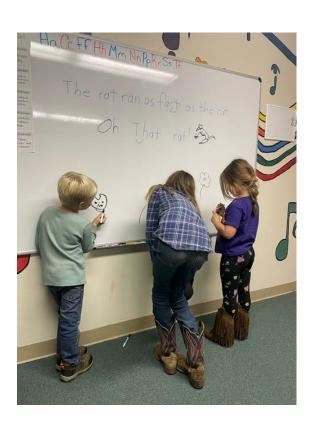
Please join us on Sunday evenings for

+ LCMS U and Compline. We begin at 8:00 p.m. with Prayer Service at 9:00 p.m.

T.I.G. Happenings

Family Fun Night at Grace Lutheran





Homeschool group working together!





LWML ladies meeting in Hays, Ks



Sunday School proclaiming Christ

T.I.G. Birthdays, Anniversaries and Prayers



Birthdays

Birthdays	
Ronald Appel	11/1
Emily Baker	11/1
Rachel Foreman	11/1
Aaron Kucharik	11/1
Denise Weber	11/1
Robert Garman	11/2
Esther Krug	11/2
Lena McMillan	11/2
Sandy Calkins	11/3
Abdias Fajardo	11/3
Landon Schultz	11/3
Noel Simpson	11/4
Karla Garman	11/6
Judith Kleeman	11/7
Beverly Miller	11/8
Angie Ackerman	11/9
Megan Fajardo	11/9
Hayley Breeden	11/11
Preston McMillan	11/12
Connie Mai	11/14
Joe Morgan	11/14
Bruce Ansel	11/15
Kolton Davis	11/16
Brianna Barton	11/17
Ozella Fajardo	11/17
Debra Weber-Unruh	11/17
Lucie Barr	11/18
Megan Fajardo	11/19
Agnes Molz	11/20
Ann Douglas	11/22
Brooke McMillan	11/22
Jamie Schweer	11/22
Kimberly Foreman	11/23
Carol Frazee	11/23
Lowell Mueller	11/24
Daniel Swart	11/24
Brian Seavey	11/25
Kimberly Vanley	11/25
Billy Bridges	11/27
Carol Hamann	11/27
Hannah Millershaski	11/27
Clara Earra Cal	11 / 20

Clara Faye Schweer

11/28



James & Tina Davis	11/2
Carol & Ralph Frazee	11/5
Jarek & Kashley VanPatten	11/14
Ed & Corrine Adams	11/21
Steve & Joyce Brom	11/25
Lonnie & Christy Creacy	11/26
Ronald & Brooksie Appel	11/27



Prayers

Shut-ins:, Pat Bridges, Shirley Frost, Steve Hamann, Esther Krug, Wauneta Messenger, Clara Faye Schweer, Joan Schweer, Hellen Strickland, and Lillian Von Lintel.

Trinity's Continued Health Concerns: Samantha

Bogenhagen, Wayne Combs, Steve Hamann, Tim Lavrenz, Mike Ricke, Carleen Schweer, and Terri Schweer.

Immanuel Prayers

Peggy Ansel, Noretta Hesslink, Ted Hesslink, Leonard Kleeman, Tim Kohart, Agnes Molz, Mary Lee Molz, Don Neff, Carolyn Richmond, Helen Strickland, and Karen Waechter.

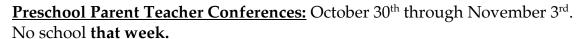
Grace Lutheran Prayers

Millie & Vic Barbo, Deanna Bitter, Norma Fisher, Linda Henning, Alleah Hilker, Gavin Hogie, Chris Mason, Susan McConnell, Sharon Nagle, Tami Rundell, and Karen Waechter.



Announcements

Preschool News!



Little Lambs Sunday: November 12th

<u>Preschool Tasting Feast and Program:</u> November 17th. Preschool Students and their Parents will come together to have a Preschool Thanksgiving Feast. Time: 10:30 a.m. (Preschool Parents Only)

<u>No Preschool the week of Thanksgiving</u>, No school Monday, November 20th to Friday, November 24th.

Youth News!

Save the dates!

2024 Middle School Huddle

April 19 & 20, 2024

Rock Springs 4H Camp

Located South of Junction City, KS

High School Retreat in Topeka:

November 17th through November 19th



The 2023 Kansas District Youth Gathering event will take place **Friday**, **Nov. 17 – Sunday**, **Nov. 19, 2023**, at Hotel Topeka at City Center in Topeka, Kan. The 2023 KDYG theme is "*Re:New*, *Re:Deem*, *Re:Store!*" based on Isaiah 43:19. This year's keynote speaker is Tanner Olson, and the praise team from Bethany, Overland Park will perform. There will also be a special Saturday after-hours concert featuring FLAME (*the concert is open only to Gathering participants.*) This year's KDYG offering will go towards *Set Apart to Serve*, the synodical initiative supporting students who will be entering church work programs at the university level. The KDYG offering will be going specifically towards students entering church work at Concordia University, Nebraska. The first \$1,000 of offerings received will be matched by an anonymous donor!

Registration is open! Early registration cost is \$95 per person (Aug. 1 – Oct. 31) and beginning Nov. 1 late registration increases to \$115 per person. You will find below the 2023 KDYG registration link, as well as the KDYG registration packet, pre-Gathering Bible studies, and the KDYG schedule.

Announcements:

Congratulations to Harvick Sowers on his recent receiving of the Sacrament of Confirmation on Sunday, October 29th at Trinity Lutheran Church!

<u>All Saints Day Joint Worship Service:</u> Wednesday November 1st at Immanuel Church in Lakin, Ks. Time: 6:30 p.m. There will still be Midweek Classes and Dinner at Trinity Lutheran Church on this day. All Saints Day Observance at Trinity Lutheran will be Sunday November 5th during normal Worship Service Time.

<u>Men's Breakfast:</u> Due to November 11th being Veterans Day the Men's Breakfast_will be held on <u>Saturday, November 18th</u> at Grace Lutheran Church in Ulysses. Time: 8 a.m. Hope to see you there!

Elders Meeting: Sunday, November 12th after Bible Class.

All Staff and Newsletter Deadline: Monday November 13th at 1:00 p.m.

Winkel: November 14th at Grace Lutheran Church, Ulysses, Ks.

CLC Meeting: Thursday November 16th at 6:30 p.m.

Stephen Ministry: Monday November 27th at 6:30 p.m.

Shut-In Communion Service with Meal: Wednesday, November 29th at 12:15 p.m.

Midweek Advent Services begin on Wednesday, November 29th at Trinity Lutheran. Time: 6:30 p.m. Please come and join us for fellowship and learning! During Advent there will not be any Midweek classes, only Advent Worship Services. The meal begins at 5:45 p.m. <u>There will not be any Midweek Classes or Meal on Wednesday, November 22nd.</u>

*Children's Program Practices begins on Sunday, November 19th. They will be offered on Sunday's and Wednesday's.

Reminders:

<u>Additional Weekday Worship Service is now being offered! Join us for Noon Day Service on Wednesdays.</u> Time will be 12:15 p.m. We will be following the Service of Matins.

Please join us on Sunday evenings for + LCMS U and Compline. We begin at 8:00 p.m. with LCMS U and Compline Prayer Service at 9:00 p.m.

*We need Volunteers to provide Casserole Dishes for about 6 people for the LCMS U Sessions. Thank You so much for supporting our Youth!

<u>Rides to Church!</u> Need a ride to church? (Sunday's only) Call Premium Taxi at 620-214-9164. Call 30 minutes in advance of need of a ride to church. Be sure to let them know to charge the trip to Trinity Lutheran Church. Also, Please let them know of the time for them to come back and pick you up to take you home. (After Worship/Bible Class)

Thanksgiving Day-Joint
Worship Service: Tuesday
November 21st at 6:30 p.m.
Thanksgiving Meal: 5:00 p.m.



<u>District News!</u> <u>kslcms.org</u>

<u>Kansas District Board Meeting in Topeka:</u> November 2nd and 3rd. Pastor Mike will be out of the office those days.

SAVE THE DATES!

Planned Giving at Trinity on November 5th



Lifetime Plan for Giving: A charitable estate presentation with Heather Williams, LCMS Kansas District Business Manager

The goal of this presentation is to provide education on Christian estate planning, letting LCMS members know about a free resource available to them through the LCMS Foundation called the "Lifetime Plan for Giving." Trinity's members will learn about the LCMS Foundation, and how the Kansas District has partnered with them for the benefit of Kansas District congregations, schools and ministries. We'll talk about planned giving from a Lutheran stewardship perspective, with details on how to engage in the LCMS Foundation's "Lifetime Plan for Giving." The session will wrap up with a discussion of the fruits of Planned Giving in the Kansas District, with an opportunity for questions and answers.

Faith at Work District-wide Service Event, April 2024!

"For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them." – Ephesians 2:10

The LCMS Kansas District invites our congregations, schools, and RSOs to save the date for April 7, 2024, for the first annual *Faith at Work* kick-off Sunday! *Faith at Work* is an annual District-wide service event where groups of all ages and skill sets find needs within their local communities to serve throughout the month.

Each spring, beginning in 2024, we would like to encourage every person, young and old, to serve friends and neighbors in their communities in the name of Jesus. Information shared on the district **Facebook page**, and placed on the website page as details develop.



November 2023 Worship Servants

Elders of the Church

Worship Servants November 2023

Acolyte

5th – Kade Davis
12th – Lindsey Nelson & Harper Sowers
19th – Lola Chmielewski & Tlolick Anderson
26th – Harvick Sowers & Lena McMillan

Livestream

5th – Bryce Foreman 12th – Colby Cessna 19th – Miles Combs 26th – Colby Cessna

PowerPoint

4th - Carlie Obregon 5th – Miles Combs 11th – Preston McMillan

12th Indiana Camba

12th – Jackson Combs

18th - Jenna & Lindsey Nelson

19th – Calista & Kade Davis

25th – Brady Cessna

26th – Jackson Combs

Lectors

4th – Jerry Bitter

5th – Kyle Horsfall

11th – Alex Foreman

12th – Jay Meyer

18th - Darett Burr

19th – Kyle Horsfall

25th – Miles Combs

26th – Jay Meyer

Worship Assistants

Saturdays – Ed Adams Sundays – John Polson & Wade Sowers Altar Service – Dona Polson

Thank You!
God bless you all for your time!

Trinity's Elders:

Last Name	Elder Ph	none
A-B	Ed Adams	276-3931
C-G	James Davis	290-1964
H-L	Jerry Bitter	272-1237
M-P	Roy Cessna	272-9352
R-S	John Polson	275-4544
T-Z	Ron Thiele	640-2337

The Elders above serve the members of Trinity with the last names listed above. Please do not hesitate to contact them in time of need.

Immanuel's Elders:

Bruce Ansel Tim Kohart Bill Simshauser

Grace's Elders:

Mark Giesaking Denton Schloemer



November 2023

Advent Schedule

5:45 Wednesday's Dinner at Trinity and 6:30 Trinity Advent Worship 5:30 Tuesday's - Grace Advent Service 6:30 Wednesday's Immanuel Advent Service

Sunday moming TIG Worship Services 8:00 Bible Study—Grace (GLC) 9:00 Worship -Trinity (TLC) 10:30 Bible Class/SS-TLC

- 9:00 Worship –Grace 11:00 Worship–Immanuel (ILC) 12:00 Bible Study—Immanuel 9:00 p.m. Compline—Trinity

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fr.	Sat
Oct 29	31	31 No Preschool	1 Preschool-4	2 Preschool-3	3 Preschool-4	4 5:30 Worship—TLC
Sunday Worship	Home School	5:30 p.m. to 7p.m. Trunk for Treat TLC	12:15 p.m. worsnip Service / afternoon Prayer 5:45 Dinner			
8:00 p.m. LCMS U 9:00 p.m. Compline	Preschool Parent Teacher Conferences- No Preschool	4:00 p.m. Trick or Treat Booth GLC on Main St in Ulysses	6:30 Midweek Classes All Saints Joint Worship Service at ILC, Lakin 6:30	Pastor Mike at K Meetings	Pastor Mike at Kansas District Board Meetings in Topeka???	
5 Sunday Worship—	6 Preschool-4	7 Preschool-3	8 Preschool-4	9 Preschool-3	10 Preschool-4	11 5:30 Worship—
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2023 Reformation Offering Announcements

2023 Kansas District Reformation Offering

It's time for the annual Kansas District Reformation Offering, which supports the Rev. Eugene Schmidt Memorial Mission Fund. The Schmidt Memorial Mission Fund helps fund mission outreach right here in Kansas, including church revitalization, church planting, campus ministry, and specialized ministries (rural and small town, urban, deaf, and ethnic). If you'd like to contribute to this special offering, you can donate online through the Kansas District website by following this link: https://kslcms.org/kansas-district-offerings. Click the red "Donate" button and select "Reformation Offering" from the dropdown menu on the payment page.

You may also send a check with "2023 Reformation Offering" in the memo line to LCMS Kansas District, 1000 SW 10 th Ave., Topeka, KS, 66604-1104. We're grateful for your support as we work together to share the Gospel of Jesus Christ throughout the state!