TLC News

Worship TBD *June-July 2026* *Sunday School begins in the Fall*

Our Mission: "To become more like Jesus, reaching out to our community with God's love."

SUMMER CHURCH SCHEDULE

Normally on the Sunday of Memorial Day weekend, Trinity has changed over to our Summer Worship schedule, which would mean worship begins at 9:00 a.m. However, this year Bishop Miller has asked that we stay at the 10:30 am time until, at the least, his visit on May 31. Council will meet on June 1 to set the Worship Time for the summer. Please look for the information to be posted on our website and outdoor sign. We will make every effort to keep you informed.

2026 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL "TROPICAL TREK"

This summer's VBS is "Tropical Trek" Stay tune in the next few weeks for more details.

COOL SUMMER WORSHIP

It's going to get hot out there before we know it and this summer worshippers at Trinity can once again enjoy the advantage of air-conditioning provided by the split-units in the sanctuary. Just a reminder to dress comfortably for a cooler, less humid sanctuary, now both air- and prayer-conditioned.

THANK YOU!

Audrey Ritter would like to thank everyone for the birthday cards, phone calls, and wishes for her 96th birthday. It was appreciated!

McCLURE CLEAN UP DAY

McClure will be having a clean-up "junk" day on Saturday, June 27th from 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon in the lower lot at the Bean Soup grove. They will accept anything but the following: tires; household garbage; electronics; and yard waste. (Paint cans will be accepted only if the paint is dry.)

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Dear Trinity Members and Friends,

As a church, we are called to care for one another in both body and spirit. Many of our brothers and sisters are unable to join us in person for worship due to illness, limited mobility, or other circumstances. Yet, the blessing of the Lord's Supper is for all, and we have the privilege of bringing this sacred gift to them.

We are seeking volunteers who feel led to visit and serve communion in the homes of those who cannot attend our regular services. This ministry is not only about sharing bread and cup—it is about sharing Christ's love, offering fellowship, and reminding each person that they are a cherished part of our church family.

If you feel called to serve in this way, please contact Cindy Graybill at 570-502-0639 so we can provide training if needed, resources, and a schedule. Even a small amount of your time can bring great comfort and joy to someone's heart.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK, ONE LAST TIME

"I thank my God every time I remember you, constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you, because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now. I am confident of this that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ."
— Phillippians 1:3-6/7

In June 2008, the congregation of Trinity called me as its pastor and thus began God's call for us to *"share in [His] grace"* by serving together here in McClure. Among those helping Matthew and me to move into the parsonage, Jim Wert stopped us on the porch and asked, "Well, how long do you think you'll be staying?" to which we replied, "As long as God wants us to stay." Which brings us to now.

Like Paul in his letter to the Philippians, I too constantly give thanks to God for you, and for the ministry which, for the past 18 years, God has blessed us to share. As of May 15th, my call at Trinity has ended. Although Matthew and I will be renting the parsonage for the next year, I will miss being your pastor. While Matthew and I look forward to discerning the new way in which God will have us serve, I know that Trinity will continue to serve God as you have well before I was your pastor.

The last Sunday that I preached, in the Gospel according to St. John, Jesus tells His disciples that He is *"the way, the truth, and the life."* As Paul was confident that the Philippians believers would bring to completion God's good work so I am confident that Trinity's disciples will do so as well, continuing to follow *"the way,"* that is Jesus Christ and "reaching out to our community with God's love."

Both Matthew and I thank God that we've been able to share in the Gospel from the first day that you called me until now and that you have filled our lives with blessings. We will continue *"praying with joy"* for Trinity, its people, and its ministries!

In Christ's Love,
Pr. Lisa

Thank you for the wonderful Farewell meal, the cards, gifts, notes, texts and well-wishes we've received. We are truly appreciative and will miss you! Thank you! ❤️
-- Prs. Lisa & Matthew

CONGRATULATIONS, EMMA & GARRETT!

On Saturday, April 26th, Trinity member Garrett Ulrich was married to Emma Bigelow at The Shoe Factory in Milton, with Pr. Lisa presiding. May God bless their union, now and always!

--- BY THE NUMBERS —

Worship Attendance:

March 29: 27	April 5: 42
April 12: 29	April 19: 32
April 26: 29	May 3: 40
May 10: 26	May 17: 25
May 24: 22	

2026 INCOME THROUGH MAY 10th

Our Offerings
Envelopes: $27,330.40
Loose Plate: $625.50

Total Income: $29,010.05
Total Expenses: $6,667.41

MT BETHEL HOSTING THE NEEDHAMS

Mt Bethel church will be hosting an American Gospel Music group The Needhams on Thursday, July 16th at 7:00 pm. Let's join Mt Bethel for a time of music and worship.

JUNE WORSHIP SUPPORT PEOPLE

Lectors:	Talitha Dobson
Altar Guild:	
Bread:	Jan Moody
Set-up:	Tom Pheasant
Take Down:	Bonnie & Jim Jones

June Birthdays

Colin Mayer	6/2
Jennifer Renninger	6/7
David Weader	6/7
Ryan Pheasant	6/10
Tyrone Woodton	6/12
Andrew Oldt	6/18
Bill Weaver	6/24
Denise Fike	6/29

June Anniversaries

Edwin & Diane Weader	6/2
John & Doris Hassinger	6/12
Brian & Deb Knepp	6/21

June Baptismal Anniversaries

Palmer Gilbert	6/1
Tayla Schreffler	6/6
Denise Boonie	6/15
Pat Duff	6/17
Lorna Oldt	6/19
Aaron Ulrich	
Garrett Ulrich	
Matthew Ulrich	

June Worship Leaders

June 7

Assisting Minister:	Karen Segall
Ushers:	Matt Wright
	Denise Fike
Lector:	Jan Moody
Treasury Asst:	Bill & Pam Weaver

June 14

Assisting Minister:	Karen Segall
Ushers:	Jan Gilbert
	Talitha Dobson
Lector:	Karen Segall
Treasure Asst:	Bill & Pam Weaver

June 21

Assisting Minister:	Karen Segall
Ushers:	Robert Etzler
	Ange Ulrich
Lector:	Talitha Dobson
Treasury Asst:	Bill & Pam Weaver

June 28

Assisting Minister:	Karen Segall
Ushers:	Matt Wright
	Denise Fike
Lector:	Karen Segall
Treasury Asst:	Bill & Pam Weaver

July Birthdays

Ned Boonie, Jr.	7/10
Allen Henry	7/10
Kaitlyn Brytczuk	7/12
Evan Fike	7/22
Brandon Dobson	7/23
Lee Knepp	7/25
Trapper Wright	7/29

July Baptismal Anniversaries

Danielle Kratzer	7/14
Louella Ritter	7/17
Janet Walter	7/18
Kelly Ringaman	

JULY WORSHIP SUPPORT PEOPLE

Lectors:	Jan Gilbert
Altar Guild:	
Bread:	Erma Knarr
Set-up:	Erma Knarr
Take Down:	Pam & Bill Weaver

JULY WORSHIP LEADERS

July 5

Assisting Minister:	Talitha Dobson
Ushers:	Jan Gilbert
	Robert Etzler
Lector:	Talitha Dobson
Treasury Asst:	Erma & Steve Knarr

July 12

Assisting Minister:	Talitha Dobson
Ushers:	Ange Ulrich
	Karen Segall
Lector:	Jan Gilbert
Treasury Asst:	Erma & Steve Knarr

July 19

Assisting Minister:	Talitha Dobson
Ushers:	Matt Wright
	Denise Fike
Lector:	Talitha Dobson
Treasury Asst:	Erma & Steve Knarr

July 26

Assisting Minister:	Talitha Dobson
Ushers:	Jan Gilbert
	Robert Etzler
Lector	Denise Fike
Treasury Asst:	Erma & Steve Knarr

** If for any reason you are unable to serve at your appointed time, please secure a replacement and notify the church secretary prior to the printing of the Sunday bulletin.*

PLEASE REMEMBER THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS:

In Our Prayers: Doug Knepp, Colleen Davidson, Darv & Sharon Ort, Tony & Nancy Schuster, Jo-Anne Hall, Marlin Moyer, Talitha Dobson, Duane & Leslie Pheasant, Tom Nally, Peter Conforti, Andy Pheasant, Ashley Fike, Porter Serglee, JP Adam, Jr Hassinger, Brad Schmidt, Baby Eden Brown and Family and the families of Jack Wagner, Steve Richard and Rod Snook. **Our Military Personnel:** Craig Hassinger (USAF), Brooke Seler (USAF), Daniel Hoffman Ferguson (USA), Pierce Heimbach (USMC), Teagan Schreffler (USN); **College Students:** Matthew Brytczuk, Collin Mayer, Lorna Oldt, Ava Stoner.

APRIL COUNCIL MEETINGS HIGHLIGHTS

Trinity's Council meeting for April was held on Monday, April 13th at 6:30 PM in the Luther Room. The following are highlights of the meeting:

Resignation: Council formally accepted Pastor Lisa's resignation.

Rental Agreement Committee: A committee (Denise Fike, Jim, Bobby, and Ange Ulrich) was formed to review the parsonage rental agreement terms before the May meeting.

USS: Sue Ellen Spotts (USS) provided a transition strategy focusing on Worship, Administration, and Pastoral Care.

Unclaimed Funds: Trinity has $900 in unclaimed funds. Council is coordinating with the post office to
ensure the check is delivered to the physical street address.

Bold Ideas Grant: The Bold Ideas community outreach grant application was submitted; currently awaiting a decision.

DOS Report: The Department of State (DOS) Annual Report is complete.

Parking signs: Approved a $300 bid from Middlecreek Signs for Parking for Trinity Lutheran Church signs (Church-led installation).

Window Wells: Window well covers are installed.

Clinic: Approved a beehive for the clinic tenant & educational program. Matt is addressing an oil leak that caused an odor in the waiting area.

Spaghetti Dinner: The Middle Creek Council of Churches Spaghetti Supper is scheduled for next Thursday to benefit Tim Hackenberg and Tina Dunmyer; meal prices will increase.

MAY COUNCIL MEETINGS HIGHLIGHTS

Trinity's Council meeting for May was held on Monday, May 11th at 6:30 PM in the Luther Room.

The following are highlights of the meeting:

Clinic Improvements: The council approved electrical upgrades at the clinic to install a
dedicated 220V outlet for the tenant whipped honey production. Local congregation members will assist electrician Karl Bubb with the work to help minimize costs.

5th Sunday Special Collection: This month's 5th Sunday special offering will benefit fellow congregant Doug Knepp as he undergoes cancer treatment. Please keep Doug and his family in your prayers.

Bishop's Visit: (May 31st): Bishop Miller will preach on Sunday, May 31st, and host a
session immediately after the service to discuss our pastoral transition. High attendance is crucial to show the Synod our active commitment to the calling process, so please plan to stay!

Summer Worship Schedule: Worship will remain at 10:30 AM through at least May 31st. The council is exploring potential summer scheduling collaborations with neighboring congregations, and final updates will be posted to the website, signs, and upcoming newsletters.

Lay Leadership Communion Updates: The council is exploring temporary options for Communion, including potential training for assisting ministers. Additionally, Karen Segall has requested reinstatement as a lay worship leader, with a response from the Bishop expected after the June Synod Assembly.

Scout Meeting Reminders: A quick update to our scouting groups: please ensure all trash is taken out after meetings, double-check that the red double doors are completely locked, lights and faucets are off, and trash generated is collected and taken out.

Kitchen: The new kitchen flooring installation is officially complete and looks wonderful!

Parsonage: Pastor Lisa has accepted and signed the temporary parsonage lease agreement.

Parking Signs: The new Trinity Lutheran Church parking lot signs are ready for pickup and will be installed shortly.

Parish Hall Steps: To meet safety codes, a permanent handrail will be built for the steps.

Council meeting will be held on Monday, June 1, 2026 at 6:30 PM. All are welcome to attend.

THANK YOU

I would like to Thank ALL who helped with the fund-raising committee with our largest fundraiser, the Easter Eggs. Everyone deserves a THANK YOU from the congregation. Thank you all for your help and support. Talitha

FAREWELL LETTER

Dear Pastor Lisa,

On behalf of the congregation of Trinity Lutheran Church, we want to express our heartfelt thanks for your faithful service and leadership during your 18 years with us. Your dedication to preaching the Word, administering the Sacraments, and shepherding this flock has been a blessing to our community. Through your sermons, prayers, and pastoral care, you have encouraged us to grow in faith, hope, and love. We are deeply grateful for the ways you have walked alongside us in times of joy and sorrow, always pointing us to the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ.

While we are saddened by your departure, we trust that God is guiding your steps into the next chapter of your life. We pray that He will continue to strengthen and equip you for the time ahead, and that you will find joy and peace in any new opportunities He places before you and Pastor Matthew.

With gratitude, love, and blessings in Christ,

Karen J. Segall

2026 Council President
Trinity Lutheran Church