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**MAY**  
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**LETTER FROM PASTOR  
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AND MUCH MORE!!**



Dear Friends in Christ,

Why Celebrate the Ascension of our Lord?

*“Alleluia! Christ is risen” “He is risen indeed! Alleluia!”* The Easter greeting rings out loud and clear even a few weeks after Easter. That’s because Easter is not just a day. It’s a season – every bit as long as Lent. It’s a season to rejoice in our Lord’s resurrection and all that it means for us, His people.

Yet, we don’t spend all our time in this holy season looking back on that glorious day. The first couple of weeks, we certainly do as we hear about our Lord appearing to the disciples. But even the Third Sunday of Easter’s Gospel from Luke 24 starts to look forward. Jesus tells the disciples, “Behold, I am sending the promise of my Father upon you. But stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high.” Of course, that’s pointing ahead to Pentecost when that promise is fulfilled. But it also hints at Jesus’ ascension into heaven on the fortieth day after His resurrection.

So why would we want to celebrate Ascension Day? Well, for one thing, angels play an important role – as they do at other critical points in our Lord’s life. An angel announces to Mary that she will bear the Savior of the world promised so long ago (The Annunciation - March 25). Angels announced Jesus’ birth to the shepherds (Christmas). Angels ministered to Jesus after He was tempted by the devil in the wilderness for forty days and forty nights (Lent 1). Angels announced our Lord’s resurrection from the dead to the women who had gone to the tomb (Easter). Then we have angels appearing to the disciples looking up into the sky after Jesus ascended. They say, “Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into heaven? This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.” (Acts 1:11). That’s a promise we still depend on.

Now, if you read the account of our Lord’s ascension in Acts 1:1-11, you’ll see even more to celebrate. First, Jesus teaches His disciples and promises them the Holy Spirit. So, while Jesus appears to go away, He does not leave His Church, His beloved Christians, all alone. He promises to be with His Church through the work of the Holy Spirit. Jesus says, “He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all things that I said to you.” (John 14:25). Again, He says, “But when the Helper comes, whom I shall send to you

from the Father, the Spirit of truth who proceeds from the Father, He will testify of Me.” (John 15:26). Thus Jesus promises to send the Holy Spirit who will, in turn, keep our focus on Jesus Himself.

Then in Acts 1:9 we read, “Now when He had spoken these things, while they watched, He was taken up, and a cloud received Him out of their sight.” Notice that it doesn’t say that Jesus is gone! The great joy of the Ascension is that while Jesus may be out of sight, He most certainly is not absent. He’s still with His forgiven, precious people!

It’s like a mother who is in another room when her child becomes frightened by something. She can comfort the child by saying, “It’s okay, dear. Don’t be afraid. I’m here.” And the sound of that voice comforts the child even if he can’t see her. Her voice indicates that she is there, even if hidden from sight

That’s what the Ascension of Jesus is all about. A cloud hid Him from the disciples’ sight, but He was not absent. Instead, Jesus comforts His disciples—both then and now—with His voice. And His voice is His Word that is heard. Thus, the Church does not live in the time of seeing, but in the time of hearing. That’s why faithfully hearing the Word of God read, preached, and sung is so vitally important for us. For the more we hear the Gospel of Jesus’ gifts of forgiveness and life, the more we are comforted and strengthened in faith (Rom. 10:17). And the more we hear the Gospel, the better equipped we are to give “a reason for the hope that is in [us]” (1 Peter 3:15).

So, join us as we celebrate the Ascension of our Lord on Thursday, May 14. Not only will we hear of Jesus ascending to God’s right hand, but we’ll also hear Him as He comforts us and gives us courage. After all, He’s not gone. He’s only hidden from our sight.

On Christ’s ascension I now build  
The hope of my ascension;  
This hope alone has always stilled  
All doubt and apprehension;  
For where the Head is, there as well  
I know His members are to dwell  
When Christ will come and call them.  
(Lutheran Service Book, 492:1)

In Christ,  
Pastor Powell



Building Foundations On The Rock

-Matthew 7:24

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I can do all things through him who gives me strength  
-Philippians 4:13

**High School Seniors** – We will recognize the 2025 High School Graduates on May 17<sup>th</sup> at the 10:30 am service followed by a light family meal in the Fellowship Hall.

**Attention all current 5th grade Trinity Members** – As you prepare to go into 6<sup>th</sup> grade we want you and your parents to join our S.W.A.T team (Junior Youth Program). We spend Sunday evenings learning to Serve, Worship, And Trust in Jesus. Please join us Sunday, May 17<sup>th</sup> in the Youth Room from 4pm- 6pm for our “Welcome” BBQ and an evening of fun and games.

**Attention all current 8th grade Trinity Members** – Sometime during the month of May or June you will receive a special crossover invitation to Sr. Youth, Stand Firm. Keep one eye open and always be on the lookout.

**VBS 2026 Volunteers Needed** – Emerald Crossing VBS will be held June 22<sup>nd</sup> thru June 26<sup>th</sup> from 6:00pm – 8:00pm. If you would like to share your talents with the youth of our community, please sign up at [Trinity Emerald Crossing VBS](#) or contact Angie Brenner. We'd love to have you as a part of our team!



### Word for Today

“And he said to them, “Why were you looking for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?”

Luke 2:47

### Scripture Snacks

“For the ministry of this service is not only supplying the needs of the saints but is also overflowing in many thanksgivings to God.” — 2 Corinthians 9:12

But not so with you. Rather, let the greatest among you become as the youngest, and the leader as one who serves. - Luke 22:26

### May Calendar

3	Jr Youth (6:30pm) Sr Youth (7:15pm)
10	No Meeting – Happy Mother's Day
17	Graduate Recognition and meal (10:30 service) Jr Youth Crossover (4:00pm) Sr Youth -No Meeting – Study for Finals!!!
	Be on the lookout - Sr Youth Crossover Surprise
30-1 <sup>st</sup>	Teens Encounter Christ

### Meal Train Link

[www.mealtrain.com/trains/711nwm](http://www.mealtrain.com/trains/711nwm)

### Contact for More Information

**Angie Brenner**

Director of Christian Education

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## **EVENING GUILD**

Our next meeting is Monday, May 4 at 6:30pm in the church Library. The rummage sale will be held on Saturday, May 30, in the old gym and cafeteria from 7am until 1pm. Donations of items will be accepted on Friday, May 29. We will accept baby clothes from newborn up to 4T. We will not sell adult clothes. All other items, such as pictures, decorations, dishes, games, puzzles, books, shoes, purses, craft items, glassware, etc are welcome! If you have any questions about other items, furniture, etc. please call Pam Rustemeyer at 573-338-7337.

## **HAPPY DRIFTERS**

Happy Drifters is open to all senior members. We take educational and fun trips. It is a great way to meet other members of our congregation.

Tuesday, May 12, we will meet in the Fellowship Hall at 10:30. Russ Brenner will give a program on the safety factors in place at our church and school; a question and answer session is encouraged.

Following the program we will share lunch together with a pot luck. Meat and drink will be provided.

A business meeting will follow and discussion on the plans for the June 4 bus trip to Lavender Rhapsody Field in Bland, Cool Cow Cheese Tour and lunch.

At this time payment of \$30.00 will be collected.

July 11 we will attend the Elvis performance at Finke Theater and \$15.00 for that ticket will be collected.

Sign up sheets for these events are on the bulletin board in the hall. We hope to see you at these events!

## **WOMEN'S AUXILIARY**

The Women's Auxiliary will hold their monthly meeting on Tuesday, May 12, 2026, at 1:30pm in the Fellowship Hall. Mite Box offerings will be collected at the sign-in table. We welcome all women of the congregation to join us in Christian fellowship. We have been invited to join the Happy Drifters at 11:00am in the Fellowship Hall, before our meeting, for a carry-in lunch. Please bring a dish to share. Meat and drinks will be provided. Please sign up on the bulletin board in the hallway. Russ Brenner will speak to us on the safety procedures in effect for Trinity. For more information, contact Judy Bangert at 573-635-1131.

## **2026 Missouri District Lutheran Women's Missionary League Convention, Cape Girardeau, Missouri**

It is almost convention time! Time to spend with other Lutheran women, celebrating our pledge of willing service wherever and whenever our Savior has need of us. "Be Rooted in the Word" with bible study opportunities and become more informed with breakout session speakers. Learn more about our mites by selecting one of the "Mites in Action" speakers.

This convention opportunity is coming up soon-- June 12-14, 2026, at the Drury Plaza Hotel and Conference Center in Cape Girardeau and you can still register online for \$210, which includes Saturday boxed lunch and Saturday banquet buffet. Visit [missourilwml.org](http://missourilwml.org) to register and learn more about details

## Missions & Service Board:

- Old devotionals donated to the Cole County Jail
- KidsFest 30 May at Riverside Park (400 books to share)
- Day of Grace (August)
- First Fruits (location in church to donate fruits and vegetables for the poor--June/July)
- Coat Drive (Oct, Nov)
- Hunters, in Jan or Feb, we'll be accepting game for the poor
- Continuing ads on Facebook/Instagram





# TRINITY LUTHERAN SCHOOL

**MAY 2026**

## **8th Grade Graduation**

The graduation service for the class of 2026 will be held on Friday, May 15th at 6:30 P.M. in the church. Congratulations to the members of this year's 8th grade class: Jacob Angerer, Jackson Blair, Benjamin Bolden, Kaylea Case, Emily Collins, Ilse Combs, Sawyer Dippold, Ethan Farris, Tucker Gates, Corbin Gibson, Trevor Hackmann, Elaina Holland, Emma Jones, Kaitlynn Kollmeyer, Devin LaBoube, Heidi Moehlman, Bo Neuenswander, Olivia Peters, Natalie Schubert, Avery Scott, Thomas Simpson, Clare Skaggs, Londyn Stark, Liam Tackett, Jesse Volmert, Jason Wade, Harrison West and Owen Wright.

## **May Events**

05/05 3rd & 4th Grade Field Trip to Missouri State Capitol Complex  
05/07-05/09 Eastern Nationals Archery Tournament in Louisville Kentucky  
05/11 8th Grade Pep Assembly 2:15  
05/12 6th Grade Field Trip to City Museum  
05/12 7th Grade Field Trip to Missouri State Penitentiary  
05/14 8th Grade Class Trip to Silver Dollar City  
05/14 Field Day  
05/15 Last Day of School 11:30 Dismissal  
05/15 8th Grade Graduation | Church Sanctuary | 6:30

## **7th and 8th Grade Drama Performance**

On April 24th and 25th the Trinity 7th and 8th grade students presented their drama performance titled "Container of Sharks". The performance was under the direction of Miss Miriam Wolf and featured eccentric entrepreneurs pitching absurd business ideas to billionaire investors, with the threat of being literally thrown to actual sharks if their pitch fails. Members of the cast included: Allison Perkins, Sophia Frates, Avery Scott, Kasen Petree, Emily Collins, Olivia Peters, Heidi Moehlman, Thomas Simpson, Rylee Porter, Londyn Stark, Clare Skaggs, Emerson Powell, Ashlyn McPeak, Sarah Kesel, Ryan Boos, Ilse Combs and Emma Jones. Thanks to our hair and makeup, sound and light crew: Bella Frates, Ethan Farris, Liam Tackett, Adam Berck and Bruce Heerboth.

## **Spring Band Concert**

On Tuesday, April 28th Trinity band students in grades 5-8 performed their Spring Band Concert. It was a wonderful evening of music performed by our students. Along with the students, some guest musicians joined them. These guest musicians included alumni, parents, grandparents, teachers and members of the congregation.

## **Academic Showcase**

On Tuesday, April 28th, we hosted our first ever Academic Showcase. It was a wonderful evening for our students to share their hard work, creativity and learning achievements. Projects, demonstrations and activities from a variety of subjects were shared throughout the evening.

## **Archery Nationals**

Best of luck to the members of our archery team that are traveling to Louisville, Kentucky for the 2026 Eastern Nationals Archery Tournament for bullseye and 3D competition. The team includes: Addison Backman, Kaylea Case, Garrett Dougan, Adilynn Goetz, Eliza Goetz, Elaina Holland, Kaitlynn Kollmeyer, Hallie McCarty, Eloisa Moberly, Cole Morrow, Rylee Porter, Thomas Simpson and Allison Tuter.



# TRINITY LUTHERAN SCHOOL

## Positions Available

As we look forward to the 2026-2027 school year, Trinity Lutheran School is seeking Christ-centered individuals to fill the following positions:

### 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher

Successful candidates for the 4th grade teacher position will provide spiritual leadership in all relationships with students, parents, faculty, and staff as they carry out plans and programs to achieve the responsibilities assigned. Applicants must possess a Missouri teaching license or be eligible to apply for a license. To submit a resume or to obtain more information about the position, please contact Jonathan Sprengel, Principal at 573-636-7807 or [jsprengel@trinityjc.org](mailto:jsprengel@trinityjc.org)

### School Office Manager

The School Office Manager position is a full-time position with occasional evening and weekend duties. General schedule involves 7:30 A.M. to 3:30 P.M. Monday-Friday during the months of August-May and flexible hours during the summer months of June and July.

This position requires strong service-related people skills and problem-solving skills as this position is generally the first contact and has significant responsibility in representing the school. Applicants should possess strong computer skills and proficiency in Microsoft Office. Relevant and effective work experience preferred. A high school diploma is required. Additional preparation and/or college work related to educational office training preferred. Resumes will be accepted until the position is filled and may be submitted to Trinity Lutheran School at 812 Stadium Blvd., Jefferson City, MO 65109. For more information, please contact Jonathan Sprengel, Principal, at 573-636-7807 or [jsprengel@trinityjc.org](mailto:jsprengel@trinityjc.org).

**MON  
JULY  
27**

## 4<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL **GOLF** **TOURNAMENT**

**Meadowlake Acres Country Club, New Bloomfield, MO**

*Proceeds go towards the mission and ministry  
of Trinity Lutheran School.*

**4 - Person Scramble - 18 Hole**  
**\$125/golfer - \$500/team**

**Sponsorship Opportunities:**  
**\$100 - \$2,000**

*For more information or to register,  
pick up a packet in the church office or go to*

**[www.trinityjc.org/golf](http://www.trinityjc.org/golf)** 



# You're invited!



Trinity Lutheran Church  
812 Stadium Blvd  
Jefferson City, MO 65109  
June 22-26 • 6-8pm

From the lush meadows of its countryside to the cobble stone streets of its cities, there is something to delight the senses everywhere we turn in Ireland. So journey with us to ***Emerald Crossing: An Irish Adventure Through Psalm 23***. Every stop along our path will teach us about the Good Shepherd and how he cares for his sheep. Like David discovered throughout his life, first as a shepherd and later as a king, we'll discover important truths such as:

- I can be a child of God and have the Lord as my shepherd.
- I need the Lord to lead me on the right path through his Word.
- I can turn to the Lord for comfort when I'm feeling anxious or afraid.
- I can have an attitude of gratitude in every situation.
- I need to be on the lookout for God's goodness and mercy, my traveling companions through life.



So pull on your work boots, grab your walking staff, and get ready for a grand ol' time at Emerald Crossing!

Scan to register



or visit [trinityjc.org/vbs](http://trinityjc.org/vbs)

**Need some face time with other moms?**  
Load up the kiddos and join us for a low-fuss

# MOM

## Social Group

**1st & 3rd Wednesdays**  
**@ 9:15 (after school chapel)**  
Trinity Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall





# Heit's Point Lutheran Ministries Summer Camp 2026

**Week 1 – Art Camp & All Camp**  
**June 7-12**  
**\$575 Art Camp \$550 All Camp**  
Grades: 3rd-9th

## Art Camp

Campers will learn a variety of art techniques while working on different crafts and creative projects to showcase at the art show during the closing program. Throughout the week, campers will explore the beauty of God's creation and grow in their appreciation for all He has done—and continues to do—for us, alongside many other fun activities.

## All Camp

The All Camp option offers campers a full, well-rounded camp experience that includes all the best traditions of Heit's Point. Campers will spend their days swimming at the lake, playing organized games, participating in worship and Bible studies, gathering around campfires, and enjoying a variety of outdoor adventures. This option is ideal for campers who want a classic summer camp experience centered on faith, friendship, and fun.

**Week 2 – Family Discipleship Camp w/ Concordia Center for the Family**  
**June 15-19**  
**\$350/Adult + \$100/Kid**  
ALL ages welcomed, even toddlers!  
**Concordia Center for the Family**

Come enjoy a fun and meaningful experience at camp with your children while being equipped and inspired to grow in faith within your own family and strengthen the families you serve. Pastor Biermann will lead parents and church workers in Bible study and discipleship focused on faith at home, while children are cared for by our summer camp counselors. Families will also enjoy time together swimming, playing, worshipping, singing, and building lasting memories. Family pricing is \$350 per adult and \$100 per child, with children ages 2 and under attending free. Pricing includes a private hotel-style room or cabin, meals, Pastor Biermann, camp counselors and childcare, boating, swimming, fishing, disc golf, campfires, activities, and more. Lower-cost options are available for RV, bunkhouse, or tent camping, with RV stays at \$250 per adult and tent camping at \$225 per adult.

**Week 3 – Caving Week w/ Paintball**  
**June 21-26**  
**\$575**  
Grades: 3rd-9th

Join us for our new Caving Camp, where campers will embark on an exciting offsite adventure to explore Jacob's Caverns during a guided cave crawl. Throughout the week, campers will grow in their faith as they explore God's amazing Word, enjoy fun games, and take part in engaging activities designed to encourage learning, teamwork, and adventure. This unique camp experience blends hands-on exploration with faith-filled fun and unforgettable memories.

**Week 4 – Discovery Week**  
**June 28-30**  
**\$250**  
Grades: K-4th

Created just for kids looking for a "small adventure," this short week is perfect for Kindergarteners through 3rd graders! Campers will enjoy gentle adventures, fun activities, and meaningful moments learning about God's love in a safe, encouraging camp environment. Parents or grandparents may stay on camp property by renting a hotel-style room or cabin, allowing young campers to explore, grow in confidence, and make joyful faith-filled memories—while family stays close by.

**Week 5 – Basketball Week**  
**July 5-10**  
**\$575**  
Grades: 3rd-9th

Our Basketball Camp is back with Coach Hawkeye! Campers will learn what it means to be a Christian athlete while fine-tuning existing basketball skills and developing new ones through focused instruction and teamwork. Throughout the week, campers will also enjoy engaging Bible studies, fun activities, and time spent experiencing the beauty of God's creation, making this camp a well-rounded blend of faith, fitness, and fun.

**Week 6 – Servant Event**  
**July 12-17**  
**\$350**  
Middle school and High schoolers

Join us and DCE Daniel Meyer (and his new church) as we paint around the camp, rebuild areas in need of tender loving care, and serve members of the Lincoln or Warsaw community. Campers will work alongside other young people who love God and have a heart for serving others, growing in faith while making a meaningful impact.

**Week 7 – Water Week**  
**July 19-24**  
**\$575** Grades: 3rd-9th

Let's make a splash—one of our favorite weeks is back! Join us for an action-packed, water-filled week featuring an exciting offsite trip to Super Splash. Campers will enjoy a variety of fun water activities alongside engaging games, meaningful Bible studies, and plenty of time for fellowship and laughter. This week is the perfect blend of summer fun, faith growth, and unforgettable memories at camp.

**Family Camp #2 - Aug 2-7**  
**\$350/Adult + \$100/Kid**  
ALL ages welcomed, even toddlers!

Come enjoy a fun and meaningful experience at camp with your children while growing together in faith and strengthening your family. Pastor Perting will lead families in engaging Bible study and faith-focused teaching, while children are cared for by our summer camp counselors. Families will also enjoy time together swimming, playing, worshipping, singing, and building lasting memories. Family pricing is \$350 per adult and \$100 per child, with children ages 2 and under attending free. Pricing includes a private hotel-style room or cabin, meals, Pastor Perting, camp counselors and childcare, boating, swimming, fishing, disc golf, campfires, activities, and more. Lower-cost options are available for RV, bunkhouse, or tent camping, with RV stays at \$250 per adult and tent camping at \$225 per adult.

More info and registration at  
[sites.google.com/view/heitspointlutheran/SummerCamp](https://sites.google.com/view/heitspointlutheran/SummerCamp)

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